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**COUNTY OFFICERS**

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**COMMISSIONERS**

Stanley C. Tanner, Chairman	Milton
John J. Duffy, Clerk	Somersworth
Lucien G. Paradis	Rochester

**SOLICITOR**

Alfred Catalfo, Jr.	Dover
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**SHERIFF**

Wilfred J. Pare	Somersworth
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**CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT**

Richard H. Keefe	Dover
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**JUDGE OF PROBATE COURT**

Leonard C. Hardwick	Rochester
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**REGISTER OF PROBATE**

Ethel G. Waldron	Dover
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**REGISTER OF DEEDS**

Anne M. Dube	Salmon Falls
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**TREASURER**

Thomas K. Davenhall	Farmington
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**MEDICAL REFEREE**

Forrest L. Keay, M. D.	Rochester
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**SUPERINTENDENT OF COUNTY HOME AND JAIL**

John Lepene	Farmington
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**MATRON**

Hattie Lepene	Farmington
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**CHAPLAINS**

Rev. J. A. Turgeon	Dover
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Rev. Milton G. Baker	Dover
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**PHYSICIAN**

John L. Hartigan, M. D.	Rochester
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**AUDITORS**

Gilman H. Twombly	Dover
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Raymond V. Jones, Jr.	East Rochester
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## STRAFFORD COUNTY DELEGATION

Roy V. Swain	Barrington
Maurice P. Redden	Ward 1 Dover
W. Raymond Stackpole	Ward 1 Dover
William Gouin	Ward 2 Dover
Frank J. Grimes	Ward 2 Dover
Joseph Marcotte, Jr.	Ward 2 Dover
Levi F. Felker	Ward 3 Dover
Frederick C. Smalley	Ward 3 Dover
Harley A. Crandall	Ward 4 Dover
Francis R. Dodge	Ward 4 Dover
Louis Stocklan	Ward 4 Dover
Emmet J. Flanagan	Ward 5 Dover
Oren V. Henderson	Durham
Ned L. Parker	Farmington
Frank E. Webster	Farmington
Not entitled	Lee
Leeman B. Wormhood	Madbury
Not entitled	Middleton
John E. Horne	Milton
Not entitled	New Durham
Ernest L. Rolfe	Ward 1 Rochester
Margaret E. Dustin	Ward 2 Rochester
Maurice A. Jones	Ward 2 Rochester
Rudolph G. Cartier	Ward 3 Rochester
Angeline M. Gilbert St. Pierre	Ward 4 Rochester
Alphonse Lacasse	Ward 4 Rochester
Norma M. Studley	Ward 5 Rochester
Llewellyn F. Fernald	Ward 6 Rochester
Charles F. Leach	Ward 6 Rochester
Fred L. Green, Jr.	Rollinsford
Placide J. Lagueux	Ward 1 Somersworth

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Edward G. Letourneau	Ward 2 Somersworth
Fred J. Coffin	Ward 3 Somersworth
Leo H. Cater	Ward 4 Somersworth
James F. Malley	Ward 5 Somersworth
Albert H. Brown	Strafford

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MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF THE STRAFFORD COUNTY DELEGATION FOR  
THE YEAR 1949

January 12, 1949

A brief meeting was held by the Strafford County Delegation for the purpose of organization.

Mr. James F. Malley was nominated and elected to serve as Chairman.

Mrs. Norma M. Studley was nominated and elected to serve as clerk.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

MARGARET E. DUSTIN,  
*Clerk Pro-Tem.*

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February 3, 1949

On Thursday, February 3, 1949, immediately after the adjournment of the House, an executive session of the Strafford County Delegation was held.

Mr. James F. Malley, Chairman, presided. It being the first time those appointed on the Executive Committee had met, those present were William Gouin, Dover; Maurice A. Jones, Rochester; Leo H. Cater, Somersworth; Llewellyn F. Fernald, Rochester. Ned

L. Parker of Farmington was the only member absent.

The Chairman stated that as soon as Mr. Tanner, Chairman of the County Commissioners, could give the amount needed, it was desired that the delegation meet to authorize the County Commissioners to borrow the amount necessary in the anticipation of taxes.

Mr. Malley also stated that he wished the delegation to go over the budget as soon as possible.

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned.

NORMA M. STUDLEY,  
*Clerk.*

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February 9, 1949

The Strafford County Delegation held a meeting following the adjournment of the Wednesday, February 9th, session in Division 5 to legalize the appointment of the members of the Executive Committee. Mr. Webster of Farmington moved that the Clerk cast one ballot for William Gouin, Maurice A. Jones, Leo H. Cater, Ned L. Parker, and Llewellyn F. Fernald. Mr. Charles Leach seconded the motion which carried.

Mr. Malley, Chairman, mentioned that Mr. Tanner needs \$150,000.00 for County expenses. Mr. Parker moved that the chair instruct the County Commissioners that they are authorized to borrow up to \$100,000.00 in anticipation of taxes. Seconded by Mr. Orren Henderson, the motion was carried unanimously by the twenty-four members of the Delegation present.

Mr. Malley announced that the meeting to be held at



the Strafford County Farm would be on Monday, the date to be set later.

All business having been transacted to date, the meeting adjourned.

NORMA M. STUDLEY,

*Clerk.*

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February 28, 1949

Monday, February 28, 1949, the members of the Strafford County Delegation met at the Strafford County Home with twenty-six members present. Before luncheon there was a survey of the Farm made. A brief meeting convened at 12:15 for the Commissioners, Executive Committee and Treasurer at which time the budget for the ensuing year was discussed.

A delicious turkey dinner was served to the representatives of the General Court, Mayor Romeo St. Laurent of Somersworth, Norman P. Randlett, James P. Keenon, Jr., William H. McCann, William Smith, Chairman of Selectmen of New Durham, George A. Bennett, Chairman of Selectmen of Lee, Senator Thomas H. Burbank, Treasurer, Thomas Davenport, Sheriff Wilfred J. Pare, E. A. Adams; Commissioners John J. Duffy, Lucien G. Paradis, Stanley C. Tanner; Mr. and Mrs. Lepene and other guests totalling forty-two.

Immediately the group adjourned to the meeting room and with Mr. James F. Malley, Chairman, presiding, the business session was opened.

The following were present: Roy V. Swain, Maurice P. Redden, W. R. Stackpole, Frank J. Grimes, Joseph Marcotte, Levi F. Felker, Frederick C. Smalley, Harley A. Crandall, Louis Stocklan, Ned L. Parker, Frank

E. Webster, Rudolph G. Cartier, Leeman B. Wormhood, John E. Horne, Maurice A. Jones, Angeline M. St. Pierre, Alphonse Lacasse, Norma M. Studley, Llewellyn F. Fernald, Charles F. Leach, Placide J. Lagueux, Edward G. Letourneau, Fred J. Coffin, Leo H. Cater, James F. Malley and Albert H. Brown.

Mr. Stanley C. Tanner, Chairman of the County Commissioners, carefully presented the budget in detail giving not only the estimated expenses but the anticipated receipts. He emphasized several needs which were given due consideration.

The progress, expense and requirements of the addition being constructed on the Court House were thoroughly discussed.

The salaries of the commissioners and others are set by law so no vote to accept was necessary.

Mr. Parker moved, seconded by Mr. Smith, that expenses of (a) Above officers of \$4,250.00 stand. The motion passed.

For (b) Register of Probate, Mr. Parker moved, seconded by Maurice Jones that \$1,500.00 be allowed. Passed.

Mr. Webster moved, seconded by Mr. Leach that (c) Register of Deeds be allowed \$1,600.00 for expenses and \$600.00 for re-indexing. Passed.

Mr. Brown moved, seconded by Mr. Fernald, that the estimated amount of \$5,500.00 for "care and supplies for Court House" be reduced \$700.00 covering approximate cost of waxing machine and mimeograph to be applied to Annex appropriation. Twelve voted in favor and ten against the motion.



Mr. Webster, seconded by Mr. Cater, moved that the \$21,000.00 for the Superior Court stand. Passed.

Mr. Cater, seconded by Mr. Parker, moved that the \$95,000.00 allowed for costs of the County Farm and Jail stand. Passed.

Mr. Leach, seconded by Mr. Webster, moved that the "Support of poor off Farm" be cut from \$35,000.00 to \$25,000.00. Passed.

It was moved by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Leach that \$7,000.00 be allowed for "Old Age Assistance." Passed.

Mr. Parker moved that \$40,000.00 be appropriated for the Board and Care of children. Seconded by Mrs. St. Pierre. The motion carried.

It was moved by Mr. Leach and seconded by Mr. Smith that the Soldiers' Aid be \$3,500.00. Passed.

Mr. Lagueux moved, seconded by Mr. Parker, that \$5,000.00 be allowed for the Welfare Administration Expense.

Mr. Cater moved, seconded by Mr. Horne, that \$1,300.00 be allowed for interest on temporary loans. Passed.

Mr. Smalley moved that expense of piggery be taken from the \$95,000.00 expense allotted for the County Farm, seconded by Mr. Smith. The motion passed.

Mr. Randlett, the architect, discussed the possibilities of building or repairing the kitchen. The members went downstairs to look this situation over. It was agreed that repairs should be made.

Mr. Cater moved, seconded by Mr. Lagueux, that the

vote to cut the estimate of \$90,000.00 for the County Farm be reconsidered. Passed.

Mr. Cater moved that the \$95,000.00 remain on the budget, rescinding Mr. Smalley's motion to include the piggery. Passed.

Mr. Coffin moved that the item for \$5,000.00 for the piggery stand. Seconded by Mr. Leach and passed.

Following further discussion on the kitchen, Mr. Leach moved that the chair appoint a committee of five to investigate, study and report back to the delegation. Mr. Smith seconded. Passed.

Mr. Malley appointed the *Executive Board*.

Mr. Brown moved that we approve the construction of a new kitchen. Seconded by Mr. Cater. The motion passed.

Mr. Jones moved that we capitalize the expense of a new kitchen and authorize the bonding of the amount required. Seconded by Mr. Leach. The motion passed.

Mr. Adams, of the County Extension Service, explained his estimated costs and Mr. Cater moved and Mr. Lagueux seconded, that the amount of \$8,785.83 be accepted. Passed.

Mr. Leach moved that the amount of \$18,200.00 for the kitchen be stricken out. Seconded by Mr. Parker, the motion passed.

Mr. Brown moved that the amount of \$700.00 for the State Retirement Plan and \$500.00 for miscellaneous be accepted. Seconded by Mrs. St. Pierre. The motion carried.

Mr. Tanner presented a letter from Mr. Keefe, Clerk



of Court, where several requests for new equipment were made.

Mr. Brown moved, seconded by Mr. Crandall, that the photostatic machine be considered by the committee for the kitchen. Passed.

Mr. Smalley moved, seconded by Mr. Leach, that the communication from the Clerk of Court be referred to the Executive Committee for definite recommendation. Passed.

Mr. Tanner reported heating complications regarding the piggery. Mr. Grimes moved, seconded by Mr. Coffin, that this matter be turned over to the Executive Committee to report back.

Since the family at the Farm should be using pasteurized milk, Mr. Adams said that a small pasteurizer might serve their purpose. Mr. Swain moved, and Mr. Fernald seconded, that Mr. Adams report to the delegation on the procedure of pasteurizing and the purchase of a pasteurizer.

After further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 4:56 P. M.

NORMA M. STUDLEY,

*Clerk.*

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March 2, 1949

The Strafford County Delegation met in Division 5 of Representatives Hall at the close of the House session. There were twenty-nine present.

Announcement was made of the public hearing on the budget to be held Monday evening, March 7, at 8 o'clock at the Court House, Dover. There was further

discussion regarding the residue from the building of the annex on the Court House. It is estimated that there will be approximately \$25,000.00 to be used for equipment and repairs.

Mr. Leach moved that any money left over from the building of the annex be spent by the commissioners subject to the approval of the majority of the members of the Executive Board of the Delegation. The motion was seconded by Mr. Horne, and prolonged discussion ensued.

Mr. Cartier moved, and it was seconded, to amend the motion as follows: In event that the expenditures exceed \$2,000.00, the approval of the majority of the Delegation shall be obtained.

The vote was 6 in favor, 10 against; and the motion was lost.

Mr. Cater moved, and it was seconded, to amend the motion as follows: Whenever an amount of \$2,000.00 or more on any item is proposed, it shall be submitted to the delegation for approval.

The vote was 14 in favor, 2 against.

The chair put the original motion, as amended, and it passed with nineteen in favor and none opposed.

Mr. Stocklan, seconded by Mr. Parker, moved that the County Treasurer be authorized to borrow funds in anticipation of taxes up to the amount of \$175,000.00 (\$75,000.00 more than voted last month).

Mr. Crandall moved, seconded by Mr. Jones, that the County Commissioners be notified that not one cent shall be spent for repairs until the Court House Annex is built and fully equipped. The motion was carried.



The meeting adjourned at 1:28 P. M.

NORMA M. STUDLEY,  
*Clerk.*

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PUBLIC HEARING ON BUDGET  
Court House, Dover, New Hampshire  
8:00 P. M., March 7

Representative Malley presided

Present: Rep. Swain, Rep. Crandall, Rep. Gouin.  
Rep. Smalley was appointed temporary clerk.

Commissioners Tanner, Duffy and Parady were present.

Walter Keays of Dover asked about the capital reserve fund of \$10,139.23. Mr. Keays also spoke about the \$5,000.00 for the piggery and the \$95,000.00 for the County Farm.

Mr. Ed. Price, 19 E. Concord Street, asked about the increased cost of relief.

Mr. Rexford Bumford, Dover, N. H., also asked about the \$10,139.23.

FREDERICK SMALLEY,  
*Temporary Clerk.*

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Division 5  
March 16, 1949

A meeting of the Strafford County Delegation was held in Division 5 on Wednesday, March 16, immediately after adjournment.

The purpose of the session was to give final approval of the budget for 1949 in Strafford County.

Mr. Webster moved that the budget as presented for 1949 be approved. Seconded by Mr. Smalley. A lengthy discussion ensued on cutting the expenses of the farm.

A roll call resulted in the approval of the following: Mr. Swain, Mr. Redden, Mr. Stackpole, Mr. Gouin, Mr. Grimes, Mr. Marcotte, Mr. Smalley, Mr. Crandall, Mr. Dodge, Mr. Stocklan, Mr. Flanagan, Mr. Parker, Mr. Webster, Mr. Wormhood, Mr. Horne, Mrs. Dustin, Mr. Jones, Mrs. St. Pierre, Mr. Lacasse, Mrs. Studley, Mr. Leach, Mr. Green, Mr. Lagueux, Mr. Letourneau, Mr. Coffin, Mr. Cater, Mr. Malley, and Mr. Brown.

Mr. Gouin stated that already relief was increased 400% over the totals of January, February and March of 1948.

Mr. Leach moved that the meeting adjourn.

NORMA M. STUDLEY,  
*Clerk.*

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### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

March 21, 1949

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Strafford County Delegation was held at the County Commissioners' office in the Court House, Dover, at 10:00 A. M., with Mr. Malley, Chairman, presiding. The purpose of the meeting was to draw up plans of procedure and the method of cooperation between the special committee of the delegation and the commissioners. Mr. Jones, Mr. Fernald, Mr. Cater and Mr. Gouin of the committee, and Mr. Tanner, Mr. Paradis and Mr. Duffy, the Commissioners, were present.



The minutes of the meeting of February 28th were read and approved with one exception. Mr. Cater moved that the words "of the County Extension Service" be inserted after Mr. Adams' name. This motion was seconded by Mr. Fernald and was carried.

The minutes of March 2nd were read and approved by the committee.

Careful consideration of the original contracts was given by the committee with lengthy discussion resulting. The photostatic machine was considered as to type and need. The discussion continued until noon and was followed by a trip to the County Farm for the committee to look over the kitchen. The meeting continued until nearly 4 P. M.

NORMA M. STUDLEY,  
*Clerk.*

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#### March 28, 1949

Monday morning at 10:00 A. M., March 28, a meeting of the Executive Committee with Mr. James F. Malley presiding, was held in the Court House, Dover. Mr. Fernald and Mr. Paradis, County Commissioners, were absent. Mr. Norman P. Randlett, architect, Mr. Paquette, Contractor, and Mr. Catalfo, County Solicitor, were present. A discussion of the electrical subcontract on the Court House Annex ensued with proposed prices of fixtures being considered thoroughly.

The possibility of installing a stoker or oil in the Court House heating plant was suggested as well as the advisability of cutting a door into the basement to save tracking over the hard wood floors when ashes were removed or supplies brought in. The opinion seemed to be against cutting the wall for a door.

It is expected that the addition will be completed in June so that the County Commissioners were asked to prepare a list of needed equipment.

The meeting adjourned at 11:44 A. M.

NORMA M. STUDLEY,  
*Clerk.*

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May 14, 1949

On Saturday morning, May 14, at 10 A. M., a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Strafford County Delegation was held with the County Commissioners in the Court House in Dover with Mr. Malley, Chairman, presiding.

Those present were Mr. Stanley Tanner, Chairman of the County Commissioners, Mr. Paradis, County Commissioner, Mr. James F. Malley, Mr. Gouin, Mr. Jones, Mr. Fernald and Mrs. Studley.

The Chairman stated that the meeting was called for two purposes:

1. To consider the report of the County Commissioners for the first three months so as to check the totals against the budget.
2. To consider the cost of the Annex.

It is estimated that the cost of the Annex will be approximately \$100,000.00, leaving about \$15,000.00 to repair the main building. Among the latter needs is an automatic heating equipment and the repairing of Mr. Keefe's office.

Mr. Fernald moved that the Executive Board instruct the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners to contact Mr. Palmer (Mr. Weston Palmer of

Rochester) to have a heating engineer make recommendations for both the County Farm and Court House in order to operate the heating system more efficiently and less expensively. Mr. Gouin seconded the motion which carried.

Discussion of the kitchen at the County Farm ensued, with the opinion that it can be repaired in its present location at an expense not exceeding \$6,000.00.

A lengthy discussion of the legality of the bond issue in 1948 followed with the result that Mr. Fernald moved that the Chair proceed to make this thing legal by stating the time he wishes to meet and then advertise in the paper on bonds we may want to issue, with the time and place to be left to the discretion of the Chairman of the Delegation. This was seconded by Mr. Jones and passed.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned about 11:45 A. M.

NORMA M. STUDLEY,

*Clerk.*

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State of New Hampshire  
Strafford, SS.

A meeting of the County Convention of Strafford County in the State of New Hampshire was called to order at 10 in the forenoon on May 23, 1949, at the Strafford County Court House, Dover, County of Strafford and State of New Hampshire. The meeting was called for the purpose of issuing bonds to the amount of \$50,000.00. The meeting of said convention was called by the Chairman by mailing said notice to each member of the delegation and by also placing on May



16, 1949, a notice in the Foster's Daily Democrat at Dover, N. H., a newspaper of general circulation in said county.

The chairman, James F. Malley of Somersworth, was absent from said meeting and Mr. Ned Parker of Farmington, was chosen and acted as chairman pro-tem.

The meeting was called to order and quorum was taken. The following members were present: Mr. Roy V. Swain, Mr. W. Raymond Stackpole, Mr. William Gouin, Mr. Joseph Marcotte, Jr., Mr. Levi F. Felker, Mr. Frederick C. Smalley, Mr. Harley A. Crandall, Mr. Francis R. Dodge, Mr. Louis Stocklan, Mr. Ernest J. Flanagan, Mr. Ned L. Parker, Mr. Leeman B. Wormhood, Mr. Maurice A. Jones, Mrs. Angeline M. Gilbert St. Pierre, Mr. Alphonse Lacasse, Mrs. Norma M. Studley, Mr. Fred L. Green, Jr., Mr. Edward G. Letourneau, Mr. Leo H. Cater and Mr. Albert H. Brown. A quorum was present.

Mr. Brown moved that the County of Strafford be bonded for fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00), the money to be used for the building of the annex to the Court House and equipment. Mr. Cater seconded the motion which was voted unanimously.

A report of the expenditures of the first quarter was made by the County Commissioners.

Mrs. Anna Morin Dube spoke before the Convention regarding the old door into the Register of Deeds office which the new plans eliminate and she feels should be retained.

A letter from the insurance underwriters on this matter, signed by Mr. A. C. Hudson, Secretary, was read by the Clerk.

Mr. Jones suggested that the convention recess for a view of the situation.

After the Convention reassembled, Mr. Green moved that Mrs. Dube's suggestion on the door be followed. Mr. Swain seconded the motion. The subject was thoroughly discussed before it was unanimously voted.

The business of the meeting having been covered, it was voted to adjourn at 11:30 in the forenoon.

NORMA M. STUDLEY,

*Clerk of County Convention.*

Rochester, N. H., May 28, 1949

State of New Hampshire  
Strafford, SS.

Personally appeared Mrs. Norma M. Studley and swore that this is a true copy of record of meeting of County Delegation on May 23, 1949.

JOSHUA STUDLEY,

*Notary Public.*

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State of New Hampshire  
Merrimack, SS.

A special meeting of the Strafford County Convention was held in the gallery of the House of Representatives in the State House, Concord, in the County of Merrimack, on Tuesday, June seventh, immediately following the Session. Mr. James F. Malley, chairman, presided.

The roll was called and a quorum was declared present. The following members responded: Mr. Roy V. Swain, Mr. William Gouin, Mr. Frank J. Grimes, Mr.

Joseph Marcotte, Jr., Mr. Levi F. Felker, Mr. Frederick C. Smalley, Mr. Harley A. Crandall, Mr. Francis R. Dodge, Mr. Emmet J. Flanagan, Mr. Ned L. Parker, Mr. Frank E. Webster, Mr. Leeman B. Wormhood, Mr. John E. Horne, Mr. Ernest L. Rolfe, Mrs. Margaret E. Dustin, Mr. Maurice A. Jones, Mrs. Angeline M. Gilbert St. Pierre, Mr. Alphonse Lacasse, Mrs. Norma M. Studley, Mr. Llewellyn F. Fernald, Mr. Charles F. Leach, Mr. Fred L. Green, Jr., Mr. Placide J. Lagueux, Mr. Edward G. Letourneau, Mr. Leo H. Cater, Mr. James F. Malley and Mr. Albert H. Brown.

Mr. Malley stated that the purpose of the meeting was to validate a bond issue for the County of Strafford in the State of New Hampshire for the amount of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00), for the building of the annex, equipment and repairs.

Mr. Brown moved that the County of Strafford be bonded for fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00), the money to be used for the building of the annex to the Court House and equipment. Mr. Flanagan seconded the motion.

Following a brief discussion Mr. Fernald moved that the following amendment be added: "and any unexpended balance from this fund shall be used for repairs in the Court House."

Mr. Fernald withdrew his amendment after the subject was considered and Mr. Brown also withdrew his motion.

After a discussion by the Convention it was agreed that it was unnecessary to state the specific purpose for which the County of Strafford was to be bonded and Mr. Cater moved that the County Commissioners



be authorized to bond the County of Strafford for fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00). Mr. Jones seconded the motion, which on a roll call carried unanimously.

Following this action the meeting adjourned at 2:30 in the afternoon.

NORMA M. STUDLEY,  
*Clerk of County Convention.*

State of New Hampshire  
Strafford, SS.

Mrs. Norma M. Studley personally appeared and swore that this is a true copy of the record of the meeting of the County Delegation on June 7, 1949.

JOSHUA STUDLEY,  
*Notary Public.*

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### NOTICE

The Speaker read the following notice.

There will be a meeting of the Strafford County Convention Thursday, June 23, 1949, immediately after the session in the Balcony of the House of Representatives.

The purpose of the meeting is to authorize a bond issue of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) for the construction of an annex to the Strafford County Court House in Dover, New Hampshire.

State of New Hampshire  
Merrimack, SS.

A meeting of the Strafford County Convention was held in the gallery of the House of Representatives in the State House, Concord, in the County of Merrimack,

on Thursday, June 23, 1949, immediately following the Session at 3:10 P. M. Mr. James F. Malley, chairman, presided.

The meeting was called to order after which the roll was called and a quorum declared present.

The following members responded: Swain, Redden, Stackpole, Gouin, Grimes, Marcotte, Crandall, Dodge, Stocklan, Wormhood, Parker, Horne, Rolfe, Dustin, St. Pierre, Lacasse, Studley, Fernald, Green, Lagueux, Letourneau, Cater, Malley and Brown. The following were absent: Felker, Smalley, Flanagan, Henderson, Webster, Jones, Cartier, Leach and Coffin.

The chairman announced that the meeting had been called for one purpose only: to authorize a bond issue of \$50,000.00 for the purpose of completing the annex to the Strafford County Court House in Dover. It being necessary for a notation to be read by the Speaker and printed in the Journal announcing the meeting, such notice was given on Wednesday, June 22, 1949.

Mr. Horne moved that the County of Strafford be bonded for fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00), the money to be used for the building and completion of the annex to the Strafford County Court House in Dover. Mr. Parker seconded the motion which on a roll call carried unanimously. The following voted in the affirmative: Swain, Redden, Stackpole, Gouin, Grimes, Marcotte, Crandall, Dodge, Stocklan, Wormhood, Parker, Horne, Rolfe, Dustin, St. Pierre, Lacasse, Studley, Fernald, Green, Lagueux, Letourneau, Cater, Malley and Brown.

Following this action the meeting adjourned at 3:20 P. M.

NORMA M. STUDLEY,  
*Clerk of County Convention.*

Rochester, N. H., July 1, 1949

State of New Hampshire  
Strafford, SS.

Mrs. Norma M. Studley personally appeared and swore that this is a true copy of the record of the meeting of the County Delegation, on June 23, 1949.

JOSHUA STUDLEY,  
*Notary Public.*

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June 27, 1949

On Monday, June 27th, a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Strafford County was called at 10 A. M. with the Commissioners in the Court House in Dover.

Mr. William Gouin, Mr. Leo H. Cater, Commissioners Tanner, Duffy and Paradis and Mrs. Studley were present.

Mr. Joseph Colley, Engineer of Colley, Stewart and Henderson, State Street, Boston, appeared to describe the essential equipment needed in the completion of the annex and repairing and equipping of the Court House. Both he and Mr. Larson explained in detail various types of document files and cases. They recommended the flat filing to prevent folds.

After detailed discussion the meeting adjourned at approximately 12:10 noon.

NORMA M. STUDLEY,  
*Clerk.*



June 30, 1949

A meeting of the Strafford County Delegation was held in the gallery of the House of Representatives in the State House, Concord, on June 30, 1949, immediately following the session at 11:45 A. M.

The meeting was called to order by the chairman, Mr. James F. Malley, and the following members responded to the roll call: Swain, Gouin, Grimes, Marcotte, Stocklan, Parker, Webster, Wormhood, Horne, Rolfe, St. Pierre, Lacasse, Studley, Green, Lagueux, Letourneau, Cater, Malley, Brown.

The chairman requested Mr. Gouin to report the meeting with the Executive Board and County Commissioners with the equipment engineers on the 27th of June. Mr. Gouin clearly explained that the old files would be utilized, but that several new ones were needed. Mr. Cater explained the need for the large vault in the Court House, which can be finished most economically.

The chairman stated that it was necessary to authorize unexpended balance for equipment of annex.

Mr. Cater moved that any funds left over from the fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) bond issue voted at the last meeting be used for the equipment of the annex and repairs of the Court House so much as necessary.

Mr. Parker seconded the motion which carried.

Following this the meeting adjourned a little after 12 noon.

NORMA M. STUDLEY,

*Clerk.*

Strafford County Home  
August 23, 1949

On Tuesday, August 23, 1949, the County Commissioners, Mr. Tanner, Mr. Duffy and Mr. Paradis, Miss Vachon, Mr. Catalfo, County Solicitor, Chairman Malley and four members of the Executive Committee, Mr. Jones, Mr. Gouin, Mr. Cater and Mr. Fernald, were guests for luncheon at the County Home at 12 o'clock noon. After a delicious meal, they assembled for their business session. The clerk of the Delegation was present for this meeting.

After some discussion regarding the acceptance of the annex to the Court House, Mr. Catalfo expressed a desire to read the contract, as it was expected that there should be a written statement under seal from the architect that each portion of the building has been completed according to specifications. This is necessary since the Delegation authorized the building; therefore, the members must accept it.

The bids on the steel vault equipment were discussed. Mr. Fernald moved that we report back to the delegation with the recommendation that Mr. Quimby's bid be accepted. This was seconded by Mr. Jones. After further consideration this motion was withdrawn by Mr. Fernald with M. Jones' permission.

Mr. Tanner, chairman of the Commissioners, moved that we reject all previous bids for the steel vault equipment and for repairing and placing all old equipment. This was seconded by Mr. Duffy.

Mr. Gouin moved that we approve the recommendation of the bid of \$909.36 for office furniture from Bergeron Company, Rochester. Seconded by Mr. Jones.

Consideration without action continued regarding details of repairs, furniture and improvements at the Court House.

The recommendations of the Commissioners regarding the kitchen at the County Farm were considered. It was suggested that Mr. Roscoe King be asked to draw up specifications for the kitchen with consideration being given to the number of members to be fed and equipment needed for efficient results.

The committee agreed to the Commissioners' plans for the piggery.

Following a consideration of the matter of insurance on the Court House, the meeting was adjourned in the late afternoon.

NORMA M. STUDLEY,

*Clerk.*

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October 11, 1949

A special meeting of the Strafford County Convention was held at the County Home. The Commissioners, representatives and secretary to the Commissioners were guests for luncheon at noon on Tuesday, October 11th.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. James F. Malley, chairman, who stated it was necessary to act on the following:

To issue bonds of the County for the construction and equipping of a new kitchen at the County Home.

To act upon bids received on steel vault equipment for the Court House Annex.

To transact such other business as might come before the meeting.



Those answering the roll call were, besides the Commissioners, Mr. Tanner, Mr. Paradis and Mr. Duffy and their secretary, Miss Marie Edin; Mr. Swain, Mr. Felker, Mr. Dodge, Mr. Henderson, Mr. Parker, Mr. Webster, Mr. Horne, Mrs. Dustin, Mr. Jones, Mrs. St. Pierre, Mr. Lacasse, Mrs. Studley, Mr. Fernald, Mr. Green, Mr. Lagueux, Mr. Letourneau, Mr. Coffin, Mr. Cater, Mr. Malley and Mr. Brown.

A quorum being declared present, the business of the meeting was begun with a report of Mr. Tanner, chairman of the County Commissioners, regarding the bids; their rejection at the previous meeting, and subsequent consideration. A letter was read from the County Solicitor written on September 20th. The chairman, Mr. Malley, read a letter from Mr. Ray Sawyer relative to bids, also another to Mr. Tanner.

Mr. Henderson moved that the Commissioners be given the authority of the delegation to let the contract for equipping the vault in the annex of the County Court House to the Quimby Company of Dover for \$9,050.00. This was seconded by Mr. Parker. It was unanimously voted.

Mr. Paradis gave a clear report of the requirements of the new kitchen at the County Home. The Health Department requires a first floor kitchen which will be open to sunshine and outside air.

Mr. Lepene, Superintendent of the Home, reported that the Home must be licensed but cannot be until the delegation authorizes a new kitchen.

A lengthy discussion of taxes and financial set-up ensued. Mr. Brown moved that the Commissioners be authorized to go ahead with plans for building and

equipping a kitchen not to exceed \$20,000.00 and that short term notes be issued on the approval of the Executive Committee of the Delegation.

Seconded by Mr. Henderson, a discussion followed. Mr. Swain wished to amend the motion to read \$18,000 instead of \$20,000. Seconded by Mr. Green, after reconsideration the motion as amended was withdrawn with the consent of those making and seconding the motion.

Mr. Cater moved that the County Commissioners be authorized to get bids and specifications for building a new kitchen with elevator and such new equipment as may be necessary at the Strafford County Home. This was seconded by Mr. Henderson and unanimously approved.

Mr. Tanner submitted a bill of \$182.75 for plans.

Mr. Webster moved, seconded by Mr. Parker, that the Commissioners thrash the matter out with the architect. Carried.

Mr. Tanner reported on costs of the Court House Annex and various expenses.

Mr. Henderson moved that the Commissioners be authorized to accept bids for tiling the floors in the office of the Clerk of Court, the Sheriff, and County Commissioners. The bids not to exceed \$1,050.00. Seconded by Mr. Jones and voted unanimously.

Mr. Horne moved that if the County Commissioners receive authority from the County Solicitor and architect, that they be empowered to accept the annex from the contractor. This was seconded by Mr. Parker and unanimously voted.

Mr. Brown moved, after a consideration of insurance, to protect the County Home and contents up to \$100,000.00 on a temporary basis until entire matter of county insurance be reviewed and reported to delegation. Seconded by Mr. Swain, it was unanimously voted.

Mr. Brown requested that this be studied by the Commissioners and reported at the Budget Meeting. He moved that the Commissioners be assigned the task of looking into the matter of whether or not the County Home should be tax free, should the farming which is carried on there be done on a non-commercial basis. Seconded by Mr. Webster and passed.

Adjourned at 3:45 P. M.

NORMA M. STUDLEY,

*Clerk.*



## **STRAFFORD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' REPORT**

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As required by Statute, the Board of Strafford County Commissioners herewith present their Annual Report for the year ending December 31, 1949, along with the reports of the Treasurer, Clerk of Court, Solicitor, Sheriff, Superintendent of County Farm, Jailer, Auditors, Physician, Chaplains and County Extension Service.

There have been many improvements made at the County Home such as the dairy and piggery, restocking the farm with poultry, pigs and a beef herd, also a new Chevrolet sedan for the Superintendent's use. All hard surface roads and walks have received a coat of oil.

The relief load has increased considerably during the year. The men's wing at the County Home has been over-crowded practically the entire year but there have been few requests for admittance in the women's wing. We believe the County has adequately taken care of all relief cases that are its legal responsibility and we have adopted the policy that those physically able shall work out their relief orders at the County Farm or the Court House for their own good as well as the County's.

The appropriated Budget for 1949 in the amount of \$236,839.83 proved adequate, the balance at the year's ending being \$19,491.16.

The new Annex which was under construction has been completed at a cost of \$94,212.16, and the balance of the fund is being used for equipping the

offices of the Register of Deeds and Register of Probate and the Probate Court Room. Some of the improvements already made at the Court House are the modern office furnishings, automatic oil heater, the entire interior was given two coats of oil base paint, modern lighting fixtures, modern drinking fountain, acoustic ceilings, asphalt tile floors and a parking lot. A floor waxing machine and a modern mimeograph machine were purchased for the Court House.

To the delegation and all employees of the County, officials of the State, cities and towns and to all individuals, clubs and organizations, who have kindly contributed to the welfare and happiness of the inmates of our institution, we are very grateful.

Respectfully submitted,

STANLEY C. TANNER,  
JOHN J. DUFFY,  
LUCIEN G. PARADIS,  
Strafford County Commissioners.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

1949

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**ASSETS**

Cash on hand,	\$37,150.19	
Capital Reserve Funds:		
Construction, Court House Annex		
Strafford Savings Bank Account No. A-61092,	7,009.20	
Bonds,	50,000.00	
Total assets,	\$94,159.39	
Grand total,		\$94,159.39

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**LIABILITIES**

Capital Reserve Funds:		
Strafford Savings Bank,	\$7,009.20	
Bonds Outstanding (Annex),	50,000.00	
Total liabilities,	\$57,009.20	
Excess of assets over liabilities (surplus),	37,150.19	
Grand total,		\$94,159.39



# COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

	Appropriations	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance	Overdraft	Receipts
County officers' salaries,	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00			
Medical Referee,	400.00	315.60	\$84.40		
Expenses of officers,	4,250.00	5,653.78		\$1,403.78	
Register of Probate,	1,500.00	1,464.05	35.95		
Register of Deeds,	2,200.00	1,674.17	525.83		
Care and supplies of Court House,	5,500.00	5,449.96	50.04		
Superior Court,	21,000.00	24,422.97		3,422.97	\$19,711.40
County Farm,	95,000.00	89,525.97	5,474.03		2,770.51
Support of poor off Farm,	25,000.00	23,720.35	1,279.65		37.50
Old age assistance,	7,000.00	4,017.40	2,982.60		5,021.29
Board and care of children,	40,000.00	33,177.23	6,822.77		23.00
Aid to soldiers' families,	3,500.00	4,550.85		1,050.85	
Welfare administration ex- penses,	5,000.00	4,543.06	456.94		
Interest on loan,	1,300.00	1,005.57	294.43		
Piggery,	5,000.00	2,263.06	2,736.94		
County Extension Service,	8,789.83	8,789.83			

# COMPARATIVE STATEMENT—Continued

	Appropriations	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance	Overdraft	Receipts
Insurance,	3,200.00	2,525.43	674.57		
State Retirement Plan,	700.00	580.45	119.55		
Miscellaneous:					
Printing County					
Reports,	\$267.75				
Tax anticipation					
notes,	88.75				
Federal Works					
advance,	359.00				
Petty cash,	89.80				
	<u>\$805.30</u>	<u>805.30</u>		<u>305.30</u>	<u>302.91</u>
	\$236,839.83	\$221,485.03	\$21,537.70	\$6,182.90	\$27,866.61

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RECEIPTS

## Current Revenue:

## Income from Institutions:

County Farm,	\$19,711.40
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Reimbursement of expenditures  
for support of poor:

Board and care of children,	5,021.29
Direct relief,	2,770.51
Old age assistance,	37.50
Aid to soldiers' families,	23.00

## All Other Receipts:

Capital reserve funds,	72,812.37
Hospital service,	229.80
Interest on 1948 taxes,	8.03
Reimbursement on advertising,	4.80
Forestry and Recreation De- partment, State of N. H.,	
Rochester office, phone,	60.28
Bond issue,	50,077.99

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Total revenue from all sources except tax- ation,	\$150,756.97
Temporary loans during year,	175,000.00
Taxes from cities and towns,	179,358.83

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Grand total,	\$505,115.80
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## SCHEDULE OF COUNTY PROPERTY

## Land and Buildings:

Court House,	\$144,000.00
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Jail,	22,583.00
County Farm,	95,447.00

## Furniture and Equipment:

Court House,	11,000.00
Jail,	2,552.00
County Farm,	50,000.00

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## 1949 STRAFFORD COUNTY RECEIPTS

## January:

Board and care of children,	\$466.50
County Farm,	1,485.83
Direct relief,	622.41
Hospital service,	18.75
Old age assistance,	37.50

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Total,	\$2,630.99
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## February:

Board and care of children,	\$301.22
Capital reserve funds (bonds),	30,309.61
County Farm,	1,286.46
Direct relief,	164.86
Hospital service,	18.75
Interest on 1948 taxes,	8.03

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Total,	\$32,088.93
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## March:

Board and care of children,	\$531.00
Capital reserve funds (bonds),	20,319.12
County Farm,	1,507.82
Direct relief,	167.37



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Hospital service,	18.75
Note (anticipation of 1949 taxes),	175,000.00

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Total,	\$197,544.06
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## April:

Board and care of children,	\$515.00
County Farm,	1,600.50
Direct relief,	178.00
Hospital service,	18.75
Reimbursement on advertising,	4.80

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Total,	\$2,317.05
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## May:

Board and care of children,	\$517.57
County Farm,	1,278.00
Direct relief,	238.58
Hospital service,	18.75
Aid to soldiers' families,	12.00

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Total,	\$2,064.90
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## June:

Board and care of children,	\$570.50
County Farm,	2,007.47
Direct relief,	564.44
Hospital service,	18.75

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Total,	\$3,161.16
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## July:

Board and care of children,	\$436.50
County Farm,	1,482.35
Direct relief,	156.26

Hospital service,	18.75
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Total,	<u>\$2,093.86</u>
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## August:

Board and care of children,	\$411.00
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County Farm,	1,551.04
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Direct relief,	156.20
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Hospital service,	18.75
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Total,	<u>\$2,136.99</u>
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## September:

Board and care of children,	\$313.00
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County Farm,	1,750.62
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Direct relief,	25.00
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Hospital service,	20.35
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Capital reserve funds (bonds),	22,183.64
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Bond issue (R. L. Day and Son),	50,077.99
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State of N. H. Forestry and Recreation	
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Department, use of Rochester office phone,	31.85
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Total,	<u>\$74,402.45</u>
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## October:

Board and care of children,	\$317.00
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County Farm,	1,581.85
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Direct relief,	295.30
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Hospital service,	20.35
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Aid to soldiers' families,	8.00
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Taxes,	9,064.79
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Telephone, State of N. H., Rochester office,	17.43
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Total,	<u>\$11,304.72</u>
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## November :

Board and care of children,	\$334.00
County Farm,	2,533.18
Direct relief,	39.09
Hospital service,	20.35
Aid to soldiers' families,	1.00
Taxes,	3,074.41
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Total,	\$6,002.03

## December :

Board and care of children,	\$308.00
County Farm,	1,646.28
Direct relief,	163.00
Hospital service,	18.75
Aid to soldiers' families,	2.00
Taxes,	167,219.63
State of N. H., Rochester office phone,	11.00
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Total,	\$169,368.66

RESUME OF EXPENDITURES

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County Farm,	\$89,525.97
Direct relief,	23,720.35
Aid to soldiers' families,	4,550.85
Board and care of children,	33,177.23
Old age assistance,	4,017.40
Insurance account,	2,525.43
Welfare Administration:	
Salaries of case worker and stenographer,	3,999.20
Mileage expense (case worker),	543.86
Medical Referee,	315.60
Salaries of officers,	7,000.00
Expenses of officers,	5,653.78
Expenses of Superior Court,	24,422.97
Register of Deeds,	1,674.17
Register of Probate,	1,464.05
Note,	175,000.00
Interest on note,	1,005.57
County Extension Service,	8,789.83
Care and supplies of Court House,	5,449.96
Piggery,	2,263.06
Court House Annex,	94,392.75
Federal Works Administration (balance of advance),	359.00
State retirement plan, County's share,	580.45
All other payments,	3,890.56
Total,	<hr/> \$494,322.04



## 1949 STRAFFORD COUNTY EXPENDITURES

## January:

County Farm,	\$5,705.77
Direct relief,	2,519.38
Aid to soldiers' families,	213.80
Board and care of children,	2,540.69
Old age assistance,	321.70
Welfare administration salaries,	310.40
Welfare administration expenses,	38.44
Medical Referee,	5.00
County officers' salaries,	583.33
County officers' expenses,	952.66
Care and supplies for Court House,	254.19
Superior Court expenses,	2,018.73
Register of Deeds,	192.49
Register of Probate,	102.94
Court House Annex,	4,705.05
Hospital service,	37.35
Total,	\$20,501.92

## February:

County Farm,	\$5,395.85
Direct relief,	2,528.94
Aid to soldiers' families,	571.27
Board and care of children,	2,681.21
Old age assistance,	363.64
Welfare administration salaries,	310.40
Welfare administration expense,	45.44
Medical Referee,	17.60
County officers' salaries,	533.33
County officers' expenses,	374.09

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Care and supplies for Court House,	490.97
Superior Court expenses,	840.41
Register of Deeds,	59.70
Register of Probate,	57.19
Annex,	12,345.79
County Extension Service,	671.83
Petty cash,	9.13
Hospital service,	37.35
Retirement (employees),	24.88
Insurance,	141.83
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Total,	\$27,500.85
March:	
County Farm,	\$5,897.11
Direct relief,	2,220.53
Aid to soldiers' families,	336.93
Board and care of children,	2,735.75
Old age assistance,	294.98
Welfare administration salaries,	310.40
Welfare administration expense,	46.84
Medical Referee,	35.40
County officers' salaries,	633.33
County officers' expenses,	274.18
Care and supplies for Court House,	446.99
Superior Court expenses,	2,672.02
Register of Deeds,	
Register of Probate,	51.74
Annex,	9,858.08
Interest on note,	1,005.57
County Extension Service,	671.83
Hospital service,	37.35
Retirement (employees),	72.00
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Total,	\$27,601.03

## April:

County Farm,	\$7,858.33
Direct relief,	2,501.01
Aid to soldiers' families,	493.71
Board and care of children,	2,550.80
Old age assistance,	288.56
Welfare administration salaries,	388.00
Welfare administration expense,	48.05
Medical Referee,	63.80
County officers' salaries,	583.33
County officers' expenses,	1,007.23
Care and supplies for Court House,	1,368.74
Superior Court expenses,	3,700.77
Register of Deeds,	681.29
Register of Probate,	90.15
Annex,	11,120.12
County Extension Service,	703.76
Hospital service,	37.35
Retirement (employees),	48.44
Insurance,	200.07
Income taxes (employees),	563.28
Printing County Reports,	267.75
Petty cash,	20.21
Total,	\$34,584.75

## May:

County Farm,	\$9,117.46
Direct relief,	2,250.52
Aid to soldiers' families,	487.41
Board and care of children,	2,838.13
Old age assistance,	329.55
Welfare administration salaries,	310.40
Welfare administration expense,	43.44

Medical Referee,	18.20
County officers' salaries,	533.33
County officers' expenses,	237.43
Care and supplies for Court House,	404.05
Superior Court expenses,	512.70
Register of Deeds,	43.70
Register of Probate,	68.69
Annex,	11,995.97
County Extension Service,	703.75
Hospital service,	37.35
Retirement (employees),	54.66
Insurance,	287.42
Petty cash,	13.43

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Total,	\$30,287.59
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## June:

County Home,	\$6,970.67
Direct relief,	1,816.98
Aid to soldiers' families,	469.35
Board and care of children,	2,821.68
Old age assistance,	386.52
Welfare administration salaries,	356.50
Welfare administration expense,	54.05
Medical Referee,	16.60
County officers' salaries,	633.33
County officers' expenses,	368.72
Care and supplies for Court House,	265.27
Superior Court expenses,	272.42
Register of Deeds,	23.25
Register of Probate,	80.39
Annex,	15,998.99
County Extension Service,	703.75
Hospital Service,	37.35
Retirement (employees),	48.44



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Insurance,	1,847.36
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Total,	\$33,171.62
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## July:

County Farm,	\$10,789.08
Direct relief,	1,708.27
Aid to soldiers' families,	277.55
Board and care of children,	2,706.81
Old age assistance,	318.60
Welfare administration salaries,	341.90
Welfare Administration expense,	38.44
Medical Referee,	34.80
County officers' salaries,	583.33
County officers' expenses,	600.30
Care and supplies for Court House,	356.83
Superior Court expenses,	2,430.84
Register of Deeds,	56.35
Register of Probate,	67.85
Annex,	4,153.49
County Extension Service,	1,475.61
Hospital service,	37.35
Retirement (County's share),	360.57
Retirement (employees),	50.91
Insurance,	48.75
Income taxes (employees),	579.12

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Total,	\$27,016.75
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## August:

County Farm,	\$8,190.24
Direct relief,	1,333.83
Aid to soldiers' families,	187.80
Board and care of children,	2,416.57
Old age assistance,	399.12

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Welfare administration salaries,	356.50
Welfare administration expense,	48.05
Medical Referee,	25.40
County officers' salaries,	533.33
County officers' expenses,	296.08
Care and supplies for Court House,	223.96
Superior Court expenses,	489.84
Register of Deeds,	100.23
Register of Probate,	292.12
Annex,	6,844.92
Hospital service,	37.35
Retirement (employees),	52.19
Petty cash,	13.61
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Total,	\$21,841.14

## September:

County Farm,	\$5,982.06
Direct relief,	1,530.62
Aid to soldiers' families,	196.01
Board and care of children,	3,141.58
Old age assistance,	344.77
Welfare administration salaries,	247.40
Welfare administration expense,	45.44
Medical Referee,	19.60
County officers' salaries,	633.33
County officers' expenses,	246.90
Care and supplies for Court House,	415.35
Superior Court expenses,	1,285.14
Register of Deeds,	220.20
Register of Probate,	62.84
Annex,	87.68
County Extension Service,	771.86
Hospital service,	37.35

Retirement (employees),	50.91
Total,	<u>\$15,319.04</u>
October:	
County Farm,	\$6,529.43
Direct relief,	1,641.94
Aid to soldiers' families,	440.58
Board and care of children,	2,806.35
Old age assistance,	339.08
Welfare administration salaries,	278.90
Welfare administration expense,	48.90
Medical Referee,	17.00
County officers' salaries,	583.33
County officers' expenses,	495.04
Care and supplies for Court House,	271.57
Superior Court expenses,	3,911.53
Register of Deeds,	19.85
Register of Probate,	147.92
Annex,	127.80
County Extension Service,	771.86
Hospital service,	37.35
Retirement (employees),	46.99
Petty cash,	14.48
Income taxes (employees),	613.16
Total,	<u>\$19,143.06</u>
November:	
County Farm,	\$7,261.34
Direct relief,	1,990.51
Aid to soldiers' families,	391.97
Board and care of children,	3,039.38
Old age assistance,	303.18
Welfare administration salaries,	375.40

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Welfare administration expense,	38.44
Medical Referee,	38.40
County officers' salaries,	533.33
County officers' expenses,	415.58
Care and supplies for Court House,	529.39
Superior Court expenses,	5,852.64
Register of Deeds,	140.11
Register of Probate,	268.54
Annex,	12,517.78
County Extension Service,	771 86
Hospital service,	37.35
Tax anticipation notes cost,	88.75
Retirement (employees),	47.05
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Total,	\$34,641.00

## December:

County Farm,	\$12,091.69
Direct relief,	1,677.82
Aid to soldiers' families,	484.47
Board and care of children,	2,898.28
Old age assistance,	327.70
Welfare administration salaries,	413.00
Welfare administration expense,	48.33
Medical Referee,	23.80
County officers' salaries,	633.37
County officers' expenses,	385.57
Care and supplies for Court House,	422.65
Superior Court expenses,	435.93
Register of Deeds,	137.00
Register of Probate,	173.68
Annex,	4,637.08
Note (anticipation of taxes),	175,000.00
Extension Service,	1,543.72



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Retirement (employees),	123.77
Hospital service,	35.75
Federal Works Administration (balance of advance),	359.00
Petty cash,	18.94
Retirement (County's share),	219.88
Income taxes (employees),	621.86
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Total,	\$202,713.29

PAYMENTS

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## Current Maintenance Expenses:

## General Government:

## Salaries of:

Commissioners,	\$3,600.00
Treasurer,	400.00
Auditors,	200.00
Solicitor,	1,800.00
Medical Referee,	315.60
Sheriff,	1,000.00
Expenses of above officers,	5,653.78
Register of deeds,	1,674.17
Register of Probate,	1,464.05
Care and supplies of Court House,	5,449.96

## Superior Court:

State vs. Payrolls,	1,320.61
Jury payrolls,	4,818.32
Counsel fees,	930.55
Stenographer,	2,052.63
Clerk of Superior Court,	7,081.56
Sheriff and deputies,	8,219.30

## Public Welfare:

County Farm and Jail,	89,525.97
Support of poor off Farm,	23,720.35
Old age assistance,	4,017.40
Board and care of children,	33,177.23
Aid to soldiers' families,	4,550.85
Welfare administration expense,	4,543.06

## Interest:

On temporary loans,	1,005.57
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Outlay for new construction and equipment,	94,392.75
County Farm, piggery,	2,263.06
Indebtedness:	
Payment on temporary loans,	175,000.00
All Other Payments:	
County Extension Service,	8,789.83
Insurance,	2,525.43
State retirement plant,	580.45
Printing County Reports,	267.75
Tax anticipation notes,	88.75
Balance of Federal Works advance,	359.00
Petty cash,	89.80
Miscellaneous,	229.80
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Total payments for all purposes,	\$491,107.58
Cash on hand at end of year,	37,150.19
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Grand total,	\$528,257.77

DETAIL OF PAYMENTS

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## County Officers' Expenses:

Treasurer,	\$185.96
Solicitor,	710.40
Commissioners,	947.32
Bonds,	285.75

## Commissioners' Offices:

Telephone, Dover office,	\$403.19
Telephone, Rochester office,	143.79
Rent, Rochester office,	120.00
Lights, Rochester office,	12.05
Salary of bookkeeper,	1,898.00
Office equipment and supplies,	899.14
Miscellaneous,	48.18

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\$5,653.78

## Register of Deeds:

Office supplies,	\$1,478.05
Bonds,	46.26
Telephone,	149.86

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\$1,674.17

## Register of Probate:

Salary of assistant,	\$500.00
Office supplies,	786.95
Telephone,	164.60
Bond,	12.50

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\$1,464.05



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Court House:

Supplies,	\$349.15
Lights,	393.45
Janitors,	3,329.50
Fuel,	446.68
Water bills,	25.25
Waxing and polishing machine,	476.65
Mimeograph,	329.59
Repairs,	99.69
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	\$5,449.96

## TREASURER'S REPORT

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At the conclusion of the year 1949, all taxes had been paid by the cities and towns. Our grand total cash on hand as of December 31st was \$44,159.39 of which \$24,667.58 belonged to the Special Annex Fund. Of this Annex Fund we have on deposit in the Strafford Savings Bank \$7,009.20, which was interest from the U. S. Treasury Bonds. Therefore, our balance December 31st, 1949, was as follows:

Cash on hand in General Fund,	\$19,491.81
Annex Fund in General Fund,	17,658.38
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Total General Fund,	\$37,150.19
Strafford Savings Bank (Annex Fund),	7,009.20
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Total cash on hand,	\$44,159.39

I wish to take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks and appreciation to the Commissioners and the office staff for their assistance and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS K. DAVENHALL,

Treasurer.

**COUNTY AUDITORS' REPORT**

Strafford County

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1949

Filed with the State Tax Commission, Strafford County

**County Treasurer's Account**

Balance on hand January 1, 1949,	\$23,141.97
Receipts, year ending December 31, 1949,	505,115.80
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	\$528,257.77
Payments, year ending December 31, 1949,	491,107.58
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Balance December 31, 1949, as per cash book,	\$37,150.19
Balance in Merchants National Bank as per statement of December 31, 1949,	\$40,968.92
Less outstanding orders,	3,818.73
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Reconciled bank balance as of December 31, 1949,	\$37,150.19

**County Farm Superintendent's Account**

Total amount of receipts from Institution, year ending December 31, 1949,	\$19,711.40
Total remittances to County Treasurer, year ending December 31, 1949,	\$19,711.40
Superintendent's balance on hand January 1, 1949,	None
Superintendent's balance on hand December 31, 1949,	None

**Indebtedness, December 31, 1949**

Outstanding temporary loans in anticipation of taxes,	None
Outstanding long term notes,	None
Outstanding bonds,	\$50,000.00
Bills owed by County,	None
<b>County Taxes Uncollected, December 31, 1949</b>	
County taxes due from towns and cities,	None

GILMAN H. TWOMBLY,  
RAYMOND V. JONES, JR.,

County Auditors.

January 18, 1950.

**STRAFFORD COUNTY****Apportionment of County Tax, 1949**

Towns and Cities	Proportion of Tax	Amount of Tax
Barrington,	\$23.34	\$4,186.23
Dover,	327.17	58,680.76
Durham,	50.54	9,064.79
Farmington,	70.03	12,560.49
Lee,	13.18	2,363.95
Madbury,	13.70	2,457.21
Middleton,	3.96	710.26
Milton,	45.49	8,159.02
New Durham,	12.75	2,286.82
Rochester,	256.60	46,023.42
Rollinsford,	47.34	8,490.84
Somersworth,	116.55	20,904.25
Strafford,	19.35	3,470.59
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	\$1,000.00	\$179,358.63



## STRAFFORD COUNTY HOME REPORT

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*To the Commissioners of Strafford County:*

I herewith submit my report of the Strafford County Home for the year 1949.

During the year several improvements have been made, among them a complete renovation of the Dispensary. A new sink was installed, cabinets and benches built, inlaid linoleum for the floor, new filing cabinet and several small items added.

The room formerly used as a jail for women was remodeled, with bath and clothes closet, and beds added which would accommodate a mother and children, thus making it more homelike for the children.

Both the men's and the women's dining-rooms have been renovated, with new stainless steel sinks, tables, drapes, tile floors, and walls redecorated.

One bathroom was remodeled and partitioned, and several of the inmates' bedrooms have been redecorated. Both outside porches have been painted.

At the barn, new floors have been laid in the tie-up, stanchions erected, and an electric ventilator installed. The old worn-out separator was discarded and a new one purchased. New equipment for the milkroom has been added, and at the present time a pasteurizer has been set in on approval.

At the jail, the interior has been painted, and a new radio with loud speaker attachment has been installed.

The piggery has been completed with steam and electricity, and is now in full use.

Mrs. Lepene and I wish to thank Rev. Milton Baker and his associates delegated by him; Father Joseph Turgeon of St. Charles' Rectory, and their boys' choir; and the Salvation Army for their kind consideration of our inmates and those at the jail; Mrs. Jennie Duffy and her groups of entertainers; Mrs. Anna Morin Dube and the choral group for a Christmas party; the Lions Club of Dover for their numerous acts of kindness and Christmas party; Court Sacred Heart, Catholic Daughters of America, the Business and Professional Women's Club and the Woman's Club of Durham for their visits. In our thanks, we wish to remember all who have contributed books and magazines.

We most sincerely appreciate the cooperation given us by the Commissioners, by Dr. Hartigan and his associates, our nurses, Mrs. McInnerney and Mrs. Tapscott, our personnel, and the Wentworth Hospital for sterilizing our dressings.

JOHN LEPENE,  
Superintendent.

## STRAFFORD COUNTY FARM

## RECEIPTS

Boarders,	\$16,262.49
Clothing and supplies,	39.79
Eggs and produce,	1,324.51
Poultry and swine,	1,014.24
Milk, cream and butter,	305.75
Calves,	50.00
Miscellaneous,	714.62
Total receipts,	\$19,711.40

## EXPENSES

## Jail:

Labor,	\$3,600.00
Supplies,	82.71
Repairs,	28.75
Board of women prisoners,	482.80
Medical,	21.00

## Farming:

Labor,	2,280.00
Seed, fertilizer,	1,021.75
Supplies,	702.12
Poultry,	750.00
Repairs,	369.30
Other expenses,	428.85

## Dairy:

Labor,	1,800.00
Feed,	9,544.87
Supplies,	198.66
Heifers,	900.00
Repairs,	141.09
Equipment,	227.00

Other expenses,	336.50
Operation and Maintenance of Plant:	
Labor,	20,491.99
Provisions,	13,320.36
Clothing,	796.72
Supplies,	3,255.36
Health,	5,878.82
Fuel, light and power,	12,405.02
Additions and Repairs:	
Dispensary,	1,119.70
Ward room, etc.,	936.85
Regular repairs,	2,378.97
Fixed Charges, etc.:	
Auto and truck expense,	660.37
Chaplains,	231.36
Transportation,	62.95
Telephone,	362.17
Gas and oil,	700.83
New Chevrolet car,	880.15
Steel sinks,	320.00
Asphalt floors,	432.00
Tarring driveway,	500.00
Gravel,	292.20
Piano,	70.00
Balance on 1948 toilet alterations,	120.00
Spray outfit,	31.45
Taxes,	1,333.13
Miscellaneous,	30.17
Total,	\$89,525.97
Piggery,	2,263.06
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	\$91,789.03



## STRAFFORD COUNTY FARM INVENTORY

Commissioners' room and hall,	\$400.00
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## Superintendent's Department:

Office,	300.00
Parlor,	1,000.00
Kitchen,	1,200.00
Dining room,	800.00
Sleeping rooms,	1,000.00

## Inmates' Department—Men's Wing:

Dining room,	875.00
Reading room,	100.00
Barber shop,	100.00
Sleeping rooms,	1,200.00
Second-hand clothing,	100.00
Dispensary,	1,500.00
Store room,	1,200.00
Attic contents,	250.00

## Inmates' Department—Women's Wing:

Dining room,	875.00
Chapel,	250.00
Store room,	800.00
Sewing room and linen room,	500.00
Sleeping rooms,	700.00
Second-hand clothing,	50.00

## Basement:

Meat room and refrigerator,	1,000.00
Vinegar room,	95.00
Big storeroom,	650.00
Inmates' kitchen,	1,500.00
Superintendent's store room,	600.00
Flour room,	340.00

Butter room,	10.00
Soap room,	800.00
Disinfectant room,	1,000.00
Paint and carpenter shops,	700.00
Cold storage,	500.00
Boiler room and contents,	7,500.00
Blacksmith shop,	400.00
Oil room,	500.00
Coal,	1,750.00
Fire extinguishers,	600.00
Hose house and contents,	200.00
Pumps and motors,	1,900.00
Engine room,	2,180.00
International truck,	1,000.00
Chevrolet car,	1,600.00
Dodge truck,	50.00
Ford truck,	1,100.00
Chevrolet truck,	150.00
Farm machinery,	4,700.00
Storm windows and screens,	300.00
Jail contents,	400.00
Contents of laundry,	5,800.00
Swine,	2,000.00
24 cows,	4,800.00
21 heifers,	3,700.00
1 yearling heifer,	200.00
9 calves,	450.00
1 yearling bull, registered,	250.00
2 bulls (1 registered),	650.00
390 hens,	490.00
Ensilage,	1,600.00
Oats (raised on Farm),	450.00
Hay,	6,000.00
Manure,	500.00

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Fertilizer,	370.00
Grain,	200.00
Slaughter house equipment,	500.00
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	\$72,685.00

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## STRAFFORD COUNTY FARM

## VEGETABLES AND PRODUCTS—1949

Peas,	14 bushels
Radishes,	1½ bushel
Endive,	1 bushel
Swiss Chard,	14 bushels
Lettuce,	60 heads
String beans,	18 bushels
Sweet corn,	360 dozen
Tomatoes,	40 bushels
Summer squash,	8 bushels
Blue Hubbard squash,	1½ tons
Cabbage,	600 lbs.
Carrots,	6 bushels
Turnips,	40 bushels
Onions,	18 bushels
Cucumbers,	20 bushels
Shell beans,	2 bushels
Potatoes,	1,500 bushels
Corn to pigs,	10 bushels
Beets,	6 bushels
Ensilage (corn),	160 tons
Hay,	200 tons
Pork,	4,955 lbs. used
Beef,	7,925 lbs. used
Poultry,	450 lbs. used
Milk,	204,300 lbs.
Butter,	905 lbs.
Eggs,	4,110 dozen

# PRISONERS ADMITTED TO STRAFFORD COUNTY JAIL AND HOUSE OF CORRECTION—1949

Age		Weeks	Days
43	Anderson, Walter, Rochester, drunk,	4	1
61	Angelopoulos, Peter, Dover, drunk,	22	4
71	Bassett, George, Dover, drunk,	11	6
71	Bassett, George Dover, drunk,	15	3
18	Bernier, Robert, Dover, larceny,		4
19	Berriault, Clement, Dover, violation of proba- tion,	36	2
51	Berry, Michael, Somersworth, drunk,	27	5
39	Bolstridge, Elmer, Dover, non-support,	4	1
78	Brennan, Michael, Rochester, disorderly con- duct,	2	1
42	Brown, Earl, Dover, drunk,	12	4
43	Brunelle, Arthur, Dover, drunk,	13	5
43	Brunelle, Arthur, Dover, drunk,	11	
41	Bubier, Victor, Farmington, drunk,		4
44	Burleigh, Charles, Dover, assault,	15	
28	Burleigh, Harold, Dover, assault,	12	4
48	Burrows, David, Farmington, non-support,		2
	Cameron, Constance, Rochester, lewd and lascivious behavior,		1
26	Campbell, Walter, Dover, non-support,	6	3
72	Carron, William, Dover, drunk,	25	4
65	Casey, Michael G., Dover, vagrancy,	6	
28	Champagne, Leodore, Rochester, drunk,	3	3
29	Commisky, Peter, Rochester, non-support,	11	4
51	Conway, John, Dover, drunk,	9	4
51	Conway, John, Dover, drunk,	11	6
48	Croft, Archie, Somersworth, drunk,	4	2
73	Daniels, William, Farmington, drunk,	9	
29	Drury, Paul, Dover, disobeying Court order,		1
76	Estey, William, Dover, non-payment of rent,	11	2
20	Farrand, Normand, Dover, assault,	3	5
60	Fernald, Carl S., Dover, drunk,	3	6
53	Fitzhough, Charles, Somersworth, drunk,	6	1
38	Grant, James, Dover, drunk,	12	5
51	Grimes, John, Dover, drunk,	11	4



Age		Weeks	Days
51	Grimes, John, Dover, drunk,	5	5
47	Haley, James, Rochester, larceny,	5	6
70	Hanegan, Patrick, Somersworth, drunk,	28	4
71	Hanscome, Arthur, Dover, gross lewdness,	22	3
54	Hennessey, William, Dover, drunk,	11	1
17	Hartford, John C., Rochester, operating motor vehicle without license,		9
20	Hartford, Lewis, Farmington, violation of probation,	4	2
54	Hennessey, William, Dover, drunk,	11	4
54	Hennessey, William, Rochester, petty larceny,	4	1
78	Hill, Ralph, Dover, driving under influence of liquor,	12	5
61	Hilliard, Alfred, Rochester, disorderly conduct,	5	3
34	Hopkinson, Wilfred, Dover, driving auto under influence of liquor,		4
25	Hoyt, Benj., Jr., Dover, operating motor vehicle without license,	6	2
36	Hussey, Kenneth, Dover, non-support,	2	3
36	Hussey, Kenneth, Dover, non-support,		2
24	Jacobsen, William G., Rochester, assault with dangerous weapon,	12	4
42	Karrigan, Thomas, Dover, creating a disturbance,	11	2
54	Keenan, Henry, Dover, drunk,	4	6
51	Keenan, John, Dover, drunk,	11	
51	Keenan, John, Dover, drunk,	4	6
56	Kelliher, Michael, Rochester, drunk,	5	3
19	Labor, Wendall, Dover, violation of Court order,	3	5
48	Lally, John W., Dover, operating motor vehicle under influence of liquor,		3
22	LaVertue, Ralph, Rochester, operating motor vehicle without license,	7	5
27	Leach, Roland M., Dover, operating motor vehicle under influence of liquor,	12	1
	LeMay, Diana, Rochester, drunk,		1
32	Lenfest, Charles M., Somersworth, operating motor vehicle under influence of liquor,	1	4
69	Lord, Arthur, Rochester, kindling fires on public lands without permits,		1

Age		Weeks	Days
28	Locke, Clifton, Dover, violation of probation,	11	3
65	Loud, William, Somersworth, drunk,	6	2
65	Loud, William, Dover, vagabond,	6	
65	Loud, William, Somersworth, drunk,	3	4
64	Malone, Edward, Dover, vagabond,	6	3
68	Maloney, John, Dover, drunk,	2	3
17	Mann, Robert W., Dover, took motor vehicle without intent to steal,	5	6
64	Manning, Michael, Dover, drunk,	13	6
31	Marlhot, Leo P., Rochester, drunk,	2	1
22	Mayo, Raymond, Rochester, operating motor vehicle without license, driving under influence of liquor,	7	2
22	Mayo, Raymond, Dover, operating motor vehicle without license,		5
47	Mayo, John, Sr., Somersworth, drunk,	7	5
36	Meyer, Ernest, Dover, larceny,	1	2
32	Miller, Joseph, Dover, violation of probation,	18	4
27	Mills, Waldo, Rochester, lewd and lascivious behavior,	8	4
53	McCraren, John, Dover, drunk,	13	6
20	McAlpine, Robert E., Rochester, larceny of firearms,	30	6
53	McCabe, James, Dover, drunk,	5	
53	McCabe, James, Dover, drunk,	6	
63	McIntire, Patrick, Rochester, drunk,	7	4
35	McKenna, George T., Dover, operating motor vehicle under influence of liquor,		4
21	McMann, William, Rochester, drunk and disturbance of peace,	3	6
21	Moody, Willie, Dover, operating motor vehicle without license,	1	
23	Morin, Henry, Farmington, non-support,	16	4
63	Morrison, John, Dover, drunk,	6	2
52	Mullen, David, Dover, drunk,	11	4
51	Murphy, Cornelius, Dover, larceny,	26	1
69	Murry, John A., Dover, drunk,	6	
69	Murry, John A., Dover, drunk,	4	1
23	Nadeau, Arthur, Somersworth, drunk,	4	1
23	Nadeau, Arthur, Somersworth, drunk,	7	5
37	Newell, Peter, Rochester, disorderly person,	5	

Age		Weeks	Days
37	Nichols, Moses, Farmington, petty larceny,		3
27	Osborne, Lyle, Dover, non-support,		3
27	Osborne, Lyle, Dover, contempt of court,		2
30	Ocheltree, John, Dover, violation of probation,	26	6
47	Paquette, Joseph E., Dover, drunk,	11	3
25	Paradis, Roland, Rochester, drunk,	4	4
38	Parker, Raymond E., Dover, drunk,	11	3
50	Pike, Roland S., Rochester, drunk,	2	1
36	Plaisted, Gordon, Dover, assault,	11	3
40	Plante, Alphonse, Dover, drunk,	3	6
21	Plourde, Oliver, Rochester, took car with no intent to steal, driving without license, reckless driving,	9	2
61	Poland, Clarence, Dover, operating motor vehicle without license,		6
42	Porter, Edward, Dover, contempt of court,	3	1
37	Pouliot, Raymond, Rochester, operating mo- tor vehicle without proper inspection,		3
48	Proctor, Edward, Dover, drunk,	5	1
68	Provencher, Joseph, Somersworth, drunk,	4	4
53	Quinn, Frank S., Dover, vagabond,	7	6
36	Riechard, Thomas E., Dover, drunk,	4	5
28	Richardson, James, Dover, drunk,	14	5
73	Shine, William, Dover, vagabond,	2	1
73	Shine, William, Rochester, drunk,	4	3
35	Scott, Hubert, Dover, violated parole (held for New York police),		6
35	Smith, Harry, Dover, assault,	15	2
31	Souter, Thomas, Farmington, drunk,	4	2
29	Steeves, Wallace John, Rochester, non-support,	13	
27	Torry, Norman C., Somersworth, trespassing,	3	6
39	Tucker, John C., Dover, drunk,	15	
25	Turner, Gordon, Rochester, non-support,		1
22	Valhos, George, Dover, assault,	3	5
42	Vallee, Edmund, Dover, non-support,		1
42	Vallee, Edmund, Dover, non-support,	15	2
30	Walker, Samuel, Dover, operating motor ve- hicle under influence of liquor,		1
59	Wall, Bertram, Dover, drunk,	6	3
70	Wedge, Charles, Dover, vagabond,	4	3
70	Wedge, Charles, Dover, drunk,	2	1

Age		Weeks	Days
45	Wiggin, Harold, Farmington, non-support,	2	3
55	Williams, James, Rochester, disorderly conduct,	5	3
34	Wilson, William, Dover, drunk,	13	
	Berry, Anna, Somersworth, held for Court,		3
48	Burrows, David, Durham, driving motor vehicle without license,		2
46	Carrier, Napoleon, Dover, contempt of Court,		3
21	Catsoulis, Everett, Dover, armed assault and robbery,		2
36	Day, Kenneth, Rochester, contempt of Court,		1
47	Day, Edmund, Rochester, contempt of Court,	7	1
49	Drown, Earl A., Sr., Dover, contempt of Court,		4
59	Dupois, George, Dover, contempt of Court,		2
23	Farrand, Richard, Dover, armed assault and robbery,	3	
30	Gontarz, Walter, Farmington, damage to property,	1	2
29	Gontarz, Edward V., Farmington, damage to property,	1	2
35	Gordon, Ansel T., Rochester, attempted assault,		3
35	Gordon, Ansel T., Dover, violation of probation,	7	3
36	Hussey, Kenneth R., Dover, contempt of Court,		6
33	Mayette, Wayne F., Rochester, obtaining money under false pretenses,	1	1
22	Rondeau, Robert, Dover, armed assault and robbery,	3	
54	Sanborn, Ruppert E., Rochester, forgery by check,	1	2
21	Sargent, Maynard S., Rochester, aiding in break and entering,	1	3
21	Tsoukalos, Dover, Dover, armed assault and robbery,	3	
25	Wiggin, John, Dover, contempt of Court,		4
37	Young, Elbridge, Farmington, non-support,		1
39	Tureotte, Alcide A., Dover, contempt of Court,	2	
31	Stone, Ralph Clifton, Farmington, assault with intent to kill,	12	6



# INMATES AT STRAFFORD COUNTY HOME DURING YEAR 1949

Name, Where From	Age	Days Here
Angelopoulos, Peter, Dover,	61	43
Annis, Harland, Somersworth,	33	3
Arlin, Mary Ellen, Rochester,	85	365*
Beaudreault, Maurice, Dover,	65	231*
Behan, Patrick, Dover,	93	365*
Bennett, Emma, Rochester,	71	365*
Bennett, Lillian M., Rochester,	54	365*
Bergeron, George, Dover,	78	230
Bisson, Ephraim, Dover,	78	365*
Brideau, Raymond, Somersworth (welfare),	15	7
Bohan, John F., Dover,	70	365*
Butler, Fannie, Dover,	65	365*
Caron, Joseph, Dover,	76	3
Casey, Michael G., Dover,	64	40
Casey, Joseph, Dover,	84	365*
Chapman, Martha A., Rochester,	43	20
Connors, John, Dover,	77	365*
Cote, Arthur, Somersworth,	78	365*
Davis, Harold P., Dover,	59	365*
Demers, Pauline, Somersworth,	23	61
Demers, George, Somersworth,	4	70
DeRoy, Paul, Farmington,	103	365*
Driscoll, June, Dover,	21	13
Driscoll, Ronald, Dover,	2	13
Ebenson, Alfred, Cornish, Oklahoma,	44	5
Frenchette, Octave, Dover,	76	365*
Gagnon, Levi, Lowell, Mass.,	70	21
Gatchell, Gustina, Dover,	81	365*
Grant, Irving, Dover,	64	127*
Halloran, John, Dover,	79	365*
Ham, Forrest, Rochester,	48	50
Hart, Adeline, Dover,	85	282*
Hebert, William, Dover,	71	364
Johnson, Harry, Farmington,	70	83*
Jones, Addie Mae, Middleton,	87	365*
Kimball, Ralph, Middleton,	67	365*
Lique, Henry, Rochester,	78	365*
Loud, William, Somersworth,	65	40

Name, Where From	Age	Days Here
Lucas, Ira, Rochester,	65	365*
Lyshorn Woodard, Dover,	82	365*
Masse, Legur, Somersworth,	61	20
McCarthy, Henry, West Swansey,	75	5
McCraren, John, Dover,	53	200*
Morgan, Charles, Dover,	78	365*
Pepin, Louise, Somersworth,	69	327
Plaisted, Joan Shirley, Dover,	3½	13
Routhier, Onazias, Dover,	82	329
Snow, Sally, Rochester,	7½	7
Snow, David, Rochester,	5	7
Snow, Roger, Rochester,	3	7
Stiles, Ida, Barrington,	76	365*
Storey, Arthur, Farmington,	72	258
Storey, Harriet, Farmington,	71	365*
St. Pierre, Baptiste, Dover,	83	159
Sykes, Allen, Dover,	84	365*
Tatro, Sylvester, Dover,	78	145
Theroux, Matilda, Farmington,	69	365*
Thiebault, Henry, Salmon Falls,	65	365*
Tiernan, Thomas, Worcester, Mass.,	63	20
Vachon, Fred, Somersworth,	74	42

\* Indicates they are still here.

#### BOARDERS FROM CITIES AND TOWNS DURING YEAR 1949

Name Where From	Age	Days Here
Authier, Eugene, Rochester,	65	365*
Babb, Arthur, Strafford,	80	365*
Bacon, Linnie, Farmington,	81	30
Barnes, Gertrude, Lee,	52	365*
Barry, Sadie May, Rochester,	51	42
Burgener, Abbie, Dover,	49	36
Burleigh, Michael A., Dover,	72	24
Brown, Earl, Dover,	44	6
Campbell, William H., Rochester,	66	36*
Carroll, George, Rochester,	62	365*

Name Where From	Age	Days Here
Cochrane, Philip, Somersworth,	60	365*
Clay, Frank, Lee,	67	365*
Crannan, Harold, Dover,	49	24
Duprey, Edwin, Dover,	71	31
Gagnon, Joseph, Somersworth,	69	5
Gibbons, Fred, Lynn, Mass.,	64	8
Guimond, Fred, Dover,	74	365*
Goodrow, William, Farmington,	45	12
Hanna, Wilson, Dover,	81	41*
Harvell, John, Strafford,	68	365*
Hayward, Frank, Farmington,	64	365*
Hodgdon, Winfred, Farmington,	59	136*
Hoitt, Carl, Dover,	41	28
Hubbard, Valworth, Dover,	54	6
Kelliher, Michael, Rochester,	61	2
Kinney, Miriam, Dover,	44	91
LeBreque, Arthur, Rochester,	35	14
Martell, Adelard, Dover,	65	31
Martell, Mary, Dover,	58	14
McKeever, Joseph, Dover,	66	49
McMaster, Harriet, Dover,	87	365*
Mitchell, V. Charles, Dover,	58	326*
Mitchell, Mark, Dover,		365*
Parshley, Lester, Rochester,	67	22
Pinkham, Russell, Dover,	72	365*
Provencher, John, Dover,	56	365*
Roy, Frank S., Dover,	73	365*
Varney, Albert, Rochester,	82	333
Watson, Charles, Dover,	75	365*
Young, Nathaniel, Milton,	56	303*
Morrison, Clarence E., Rochester,	59	365*

\* Indicates they are still here.

### SOLDIERS' AID

Fall, Otis, Dover,	53	36
McIntire, Patrick, Rochester,	63	143
Rheames, Ellen, Somersworth,	22	3

Rheaumes, Dorothy, Somersworth,	6	3
Rheaumes, Nancy, Somersworth,	4	3
Smedberg, Edward, Somersworth,	8	3
Lanoix, Albert, Rochester,	62	124

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Private boarders are not listed.

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## REPORT OF CLERK

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To the Honorable Board of Commissioners of Strafford County:

The following is an account of my receipts and disbursements as Clerk of the Superior Court for the year 1949:

### FEBRUARY TERM, 1949

#### Debits

Capiases issued since last account (20),	\$20.00
Mittimus issued since last account (9),	9.00
Rules of Reference (2),	2.00
Certificates of probation (8),	8.00
Copy of indictment—Tomassetti,	1.00
Divorce returns to Department of Vital Statistics (80),	8.00
State entries, 21 at \$.30,	3.60
Judgment records, 2,013 pages at \$.30,	603.90
Certifications of judgment records (466),	69.90
Allowance for clerical hire, January 1 to July 1,	260.00
Attendance at Court, January 1 to July 1,	250.00
Allowance for clerk, January 1 to July 1,	1,575.00
Total,	\$2,810.40

#### Credits

Costs, Kenneth Day,	\$7.00
Costs, George Dufrane,	100.00
Rules of Court,	1.00
Costs, Ralph Woodes,	9.80
Costs, Norman W. Vachon,	50.00



Costs, Alcide A. Turcotte,	9.80
Account clerk's allowance,	700.00
Costs, Elmer E. Lingard,	8.60
Costs, Eugene Tuttle, Willie Tuttle,	50.00
Fine and costs, Arthur Nadeau,	25.00
Fine and costs, Leon Hatch,	25.00
Rules of Court,	1.00
Fine, Norman W. Vachon,	250.00
Costs, State v. Henry Rousseau,	25.00
Costs, John Hourihan,	6.00
Costs, Rudolph Viel,	4.20
Account clerk's allowance,	100.00
Civil entries, 145 at \$.90 to No. 9675, inclusive,	130.50
Equity entries, 122 at \$.90 to No. 5636, inclusive,	109.80
Criminal appeals, 1 at \$.90 to No. 2429,	.90
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Total,	\$1,613.60
Amount due clerk,	\$2,810.40
Amount due County,	1,613.60
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Balance due clerk,	\$1,196.80

Approved for \$1,196.80 and the clerk will draw an order on the County Treasurer for said amount.

J. H. LEAHY,  
Presiding Justice.

April 6, 1949.

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### SEPTEMBER TERM, 1949

#### Debits

Capiases, mittimususes, certifications of probation, etc., since last account (46),	\$46.00
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Returns to Department of Vital Statistics (13),	1.30
State entries, 8 at \$.90,	7.20
Extended judgment records, 2,810 pages at \$.30,	843.00
Certifications of extended records (933),	139.95
Allowance for clerical hire,	445.00
Attendance at Court, July 1 to December 31, 1949,	250.00
Allowance for clerk, July 1 to December 31, 1949,	1,575.00
Miscellaneous expenses to Portsmouth to Court,	1.20
Total,	<u>\$3,308.65</u>

## Credits

Account allowance,	\$1,000.00
Costs, Murray, No. 5078,	8.00
Sold Rules of Court (3),	3.00
Account allowance,	500.00
Costs, Raymond Comtois,	7.60
Sold 25 dockets at \$2.50,	62.50
Costs, Benoit Doyon,	250.00
State v. Spellberg, costs,	175.00
State v. Lambert, costs,	5.52
State v. Tsoukalas, costs,	29.76
State v. Cragin, costs,	5.62
State v. Kerr, costs,	16.14
State v. Hayes, costs,	40.64
State v. Glidden, costs and fine,	19.94
Civil entries, 175 at \$.90 to No. 9854, inclusive,	157.50
Equity entries, 122 at \$.90 to No. 5758, inclusive,	109.80

Criminal appeals, 7 at \$.90 to No. 2444,	6.30
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Total,	\$2,397.32
Amount due clerk,	\$3,308.65
Amount due County,	2,397.32

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Balance due clerk,	\$911.33
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Approved for \$911.33 and the clerk will draw an order on the County Treasurer for said amount.

STEPHEN M. WHEELER,  
Presiding Justice.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD H. KEEFE,  
Clerk of Court.

October 21, 1949.

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## REPORT OF COUNTY SOLICITOR

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To the Commissioners of the County of Strafford, State of New Hampshire:

Greetings:

Pursuant to Revised Laws, Chapter 25, Sections 24 and 25, and Chapter 50, Section 1 of said Revised Laws, I make you herewith my annual report of the period from January 1, 1949, through December 31, 1949.

I. Annual Report for January 1, 1949, through December 31, 1949.

A. Superior Court, February Term, 1949. Presiding Justice Honorable John H. Leahy.

### FELONY CASES

1. State vs. James Cofferen. Breaking, Entering and Larceny of \$57.00. Waiver of Grand Jury. Plea of guilty, January 18, 1949. Sentence: three years' probation. Case continued for sentence.

2. State vs. Leon Hatch. Aggravated Assault. Indicted February 2, 1949. Plea of guilty to simple assault, Tuesday, February 8, 1949. Sentence: costs, \$15.00 and fine \$10.00.

3. State vs. Frederick W. Hunter. Breaking and Entering and Larceny. Indicted November 2, 1948. Plea of guilty February 10, 1949. Continued for sentence. Probation three years. Costs \$15.00.

4. State vs. Henry J. Rousseau. Reckless Driving, Death Resulting. Indicted February 8, 1949. Plea of guilty February 10, 1949. Fine \$200.00. Costs \$25.00.

5. State vs. Rupert Edward Sanborn. Passing bad check. Waiver of Grand Jury. Plea of guilty February 10, 1949. Case continued for sentence. Sentence: Two-year probation. Restitution through New Hampshire Probation Department.

6. State vs. John Ocheltree. Breaking and Entering and Attempted Larceny. Indicted February 8, 1949. Plea of guilty February 15, 1949. Sentence: Two-year probation. Continued for sentence.

7. State vs. William B. Court. Grand Larceny. Waiver of Grand Jury. Plea of guilty March 9, 1949. Sentence: Continued for sentence and placed on probation for one year and make restitution through New Hampshire Probation Department.

B. Superior Court, September Term, 1949. Presiding Justice, Honorable Stephen M. Wheeler.

#### FELONY CASES

1. State vs. Spellberg. Reckless Driving and Death Resulting. Indicted September 13, 1949. Plea of Nolo September 14, 1949. Sentence: Fined \$225.00, costs \$175.00, sentenced to one year State's Prison, suspended on payment of fine and costs.

2. State vs. Myrtle Gibson. Passing Counterfeit Check. Indicted September 13, 1949. Plea of guilty September 15, 1949. Sentence: One year in the House of Correction.

3. State vs. Tsoukalas. Larceny of Automobile. Indicted, September 13, 1949. Plea of guilty September 15, 1949. Continued for sentence. Sentence: Probation three years.

4. State vs. Clyde Glidden, Jr. First Degree Man-



slaughter—Two Charges. Indicted September 13, 1949. Two charges first degree manslaughter for slaying of Linwood Smith and slaying of Francis Bartlett. Plea of Not Guilty on two charges, September 14, 1949. Case tried five days, in Strafford County Superior Court House, September 26 to October 1, 1949. Defendant acquitted.

5. State vs. Anastasias Catsoulos. Armed Robbery. Waiver of Grand Jury. Plea of guilty October 24, 1949. Sentence: Three to seven years State's Prison, sentence suspended, probation five years.

6. State vs. Richard H. Farrand. Armed Robbery. Waiver of Grand Jury. Plea of guilty, October 24, 1949. Sentence: Three to seven years in State's Prison, suspended, probation five years. Continued for sentence: Breaking, Entry, and Larceny.

7. State vs. Robert W. Rondeau. Armed Robbery. Waiver of Grand Jury. Plea of guilty, October 24, 1949. Sentence: One to three years State's Prison, suspended. Probation five years. Continued for sentence after a plea of guilty: six other cases breaking and entering.

8. State vs. Spyro Tsoukalas. Armed Robbery. Waiver of Grand Jury. Plea of guilty, October 24, 1949, on all complaints of six other felonious charges of breaking and entering, court continuing all for sentence. Sentence: Committed to State's Prison not more than seven years nor less than three years.

#### C. Miscellaneous.

1. Misdemeanors. 35 misdemeanor cases were disposed of in Municipal Courts throughout the County

either independently when no local solicitor was available or in collaboration with the local solicitor in cases where an appeal was anticipated.

2. Non-Support. 48 non-support cases during the year 1949.

3. Juvenile Cases. Juvenile cases were conducted in collaboration with the department of Public Welfare and the New Hampshire Probation Department.

4. County Jail Escapees. Some 12 County jail escapees were brought before the Municipal Court for further adjudication during the year 1949.

5. Nolle Prosequi. Several minor cases were disposed of with circumsect discretion. In all the instances, appeal cases were disposed of due to insufficient evidence.

6. County Sheriff. Advice to County Sheriff and Deputies. Enumerated laws covering their duties and powers of sheriff and deputies. Advice to city and town police.

7. Gambling Investigations. Gambling machine investigations with the collaboration of the sheriff's department and the local police.

8. Court House Contract. Advice to County Commissioners on: Bids, interpreted portions of contracts.

9. Medical Examinations. Medical investigations in collaboration with: Sheriff's office, local police, New Hampshire State Police, Motor Vehicle Department, Medical Referee and deputies.

10. Correspondence. Voluminous correspondence with individuals and authorities in and out of the County.

11. County Solicitor Payroll. Itemized reports of Court expenses were made every three months to the County Commissioners.

12. Investigations. Some 75 investigations took place during the year 1949 individually or in collaboration with County Sheriff, local and state police.

13. County Bond Issue for \$50,000.00. Legal advice on bond issue for County to Commissioners and County Convention.

14. School for Prosecuting Attorneys. Attended Northwestern University School of Law, Chicago, Illinois, for a short course for prosecuting attorneys, entire week of August 1, 1949.

15. Lottery Investigations. Pyramid Club Investigation with collaboration of the Sheriff's office and local police.

## II. Conclusion.

- A. After an unequivocal experience as your County Solicitor for one year, I have taken notice that the Office of County Solicitor is in need of reorganization.

Summarily, the main functions of the law enforcement departments in the County are: (1) The preservation of order (2) the enforcement of criminal laws of the State, and (3) the investigation of the infractions of criminal laws of the State. The law enforcement agencies must be coordinated according to these major purposes and functions.

In order to reorganize the Office of County Solicitor, it is necessary to coordinate the various law enforcement departments which cooperate with the County Solicitor. The Office of County Solicitor is only one

appendage of the many departments which function together in preserving order and enforcing the laws of the State in the county.

Coordination is a term embracing a wide variety of activities, the central purpose of which is to have people and groups working effectively together. Consultation, collaboration, exchange of information and ideas are but a few attributes of coordination. In main, coordination is an organizational technique which minimizes the friction resulting from conflicting temperaments and sentiments of groups and individuals.

An example of coordination occurs when the local police of a certain city or town answer a call of a major crime or serious accident. Upon their arrival at the scene they are likely to meet the Sheriff, the County Solicitor and the State Police. Orderly investigation of the crime or accident would automatically proceed. All of these activities would be set in motion if coordination existed through the call of a major crime or accident.

In the past, the several law enforcement agencies have been going their own separate ways, without coordination or supervision from any single responsible authority. Under the present form of organization, arbitrary power is exercised by persons other than the duly elected public officials who are responsible to the electorate. In many instances at a call of a major crime or accident, the duly elected enforcement officers are summoned a few hours after it has happened. Orderly investigation cannot proceed because of the lack of supervision and coordination.

For this uncoordinated arrangement it is necessary to substitute a principle which will place the several law enforcement agencies under supervision of a chief



law enforcement officer. Those apprehensive of supervision in the hands of a chief law enforcement officer raise the apparition of dictatorship and the use of arbitrary power. Believers of coordination and supervision see no danger in placing authority in a chief officer provided that the power is accompanied by commensurate responsibility. Authority is put in the open not in isolated unseeable corners. Coordination means gathering into the hands of a single person supervisory powers in an organization. Centralization, on the other hand, has to do with the extension of state control over local units and organization. Coordination and supervision means home rule and autonomy of a local unit.

The Sheriff of the county is the desirable official in whom the necessary supervision should be vested since he is a duly elected public official and responsible to the electorate. This move will facilitate coordination, bring about improved investigative procedures, provide the framework for the introduction of scientific investigation and work toward harmonious action and the simplification of the line of authority consequently creating responsibility throughout the departments. In short, the several enforcement agencies would be ultimately answerable to the Sheriff of the County.

The juxtaposition of the Office of the County Solicitor to this new framework would be that of an advisory nature cooperating directly with the Sheriff. The County Solicitor would render technical advice and submit procedures to coordinate the activities of the other departments, that is, the state police, local police and constables but without infringing upon the Sheriff's authority and responsibility. In brief, the duties of the County Solicitor in addition to his other



county duties would be of the nature of fact finding, investigation and research in bringing about harmony and coordination amongst the various departments.

This type of reorganization is possible under the existing laws, if the local and state police are willing to cooperate with the Sheriff's department to bring about a coordinated force to bear on would be criminals. Furthermore, the effect of such positive action would protect the rights and privileges of the citizens of the County. Criminals would think twice before they violated the laws of the State and infringed upon the rights of the citizens. It is my belief that the ends of law enforcement can be met effectively if such a reorganization can be brought about.

However, if this cannot be achieved under the existing laws then I humbly recommend that the County Commissioners appoint a committee from the County Convention or call the County Convention at large to study the utility of reorganizing the law enforcement departments under a single authority and if deemed advisable to take measures in the General Court by initiating legislation to bring about coordination amongst the several law enforcement departments.

- B. At the end of my first year in office, I wish to express my great pleasure and appreciation, especially to the County Sheriff and his deputies, the County Commissioners and their staff, the County Convention, and other County officials with whom my duties brought me in contact. I was ingratiated by the courtesy, cooperation, and friendship of those whose help made my work pleasing and everlasting.

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED CATALFO, JR.,

County Solicitor.

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**REPORT OF SHERIFF**

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**FEBRUARY TERM, 1949**

To Wilfred J. Pare, Sheriff, Dr.

To paid Chaplain,	\$5.00
Paid American House (jurors), 28 meals,	30.30
Paid Daeris Tea Room (jurors), 56 meals,	69.05
Paid 68 newspapers (jurors),	3.40
Arrangements for Deputies, travel,	4.70

WILFRED J. PARE, Sheriff

58 days' attendance at Court	
at \$8.00,	\$464.00
18 meals,	17.30
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	481.30

HERVEY C. TANNER, Deputy Sheriff

31 days' attendance at Court	
at \$8.00,	\$248.00
1,016 miles' travel at 10c,	101.60
18 meals,	19.94
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	369.54

ROGER PIERCE, Deputy Sheriff

13 days' attendance at Court	
at \$8.00,	\$104.00
106 miles at 10c,	10.60
8 meals,	7.70
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	122.30

NOEL CHASSE, Deputy Sheriff

1 day's attendance at Court	
at \$8.00,	\$8 00

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10 miles at 10c,	1 00	
		9.00
EDWARD RICHARD, Deputy Sheriff		
1 day's attendance at Court		
at \$8.00,	\$8.00	
20 miles' travel at 10c,	2.00	
		10.00
		\$1,104.59

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Approved for \$1,104.59.

JOHN H. LEAHY,  
Presiding Justice.

WILFRED J. PARE,  
Sheriff.

Received payment  
WILFRED J. PARE.

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### SEPTEMBER TERM, 1949

To Wilfred J. Pare, Sheriff, Dr.

To Paid Rev. Edwin T. Cooke, Chaplain,	\$5.00
Paid Daeris Tea Room, meals for jury,	38.30
Paid Wentworth Bus Line, Inc., (jury view),	15.00
Paid newspapers for jury,	4.70
Assignment of deputies,	6.20

WILFRED J. PARE, Sheriff

36 days' attendance at Court		
at \$8.00,	\$288.00	
Travel 270 miles at 10c,	27.00	
6 meals,	5.45	
		320.45

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HERVEY C. TANNER, Deputy Sheriff

25 days' attendance at Court		
at \$8.00,	\$200.00	
2 nights' attendance at Court		
at \$8.00,	16.00	
24 meals,	24.20	
Travel 920 miles at 10c,	92.00	
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		332.20

EDWARD RICHARD, Deputy Sheriff

19 days' attendance at Court		
at \$8.00,	\$152.00	
2 nights' attendance at Court		
at \$8.00,	16.00	
Travel 380 miles at 10c,	38.00	
19 meals,	18.35	
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		224.35

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\$946.20

Approved for \$946.20.

STEPHEN M. WHEELER,  
Presiding Justice.

WILFRED J. PARE,  
Sheriff.

Received payment

WILFRED J. PARE

## REPORT OF THE CHAPLAIN

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January 11, 1950

County Commissioners  
Court House  
Dover, N. H.

Gentlemen:

I would like to report to you on my activities as Protestant Chaplain at the County Farm and Jail for the year ending December 31, 1949.

During the past year it has been my privilege as Protestant Chaplain to minister to the spiritual needs of the inmates of the County Farm and the County Jail. In this capacity I have arranged for services each Sunday afternoon and various groups, in addition to myself, have had charge of these services. The singing of hymns, testimonies and music by Christian young people, and messages from the Word of God have not only given the inmates spiritual food but have given them contacts from various communities in the County.

The new piano which has been secured for the Chapel has been a great aid in giving us better music for the services. It has been a privilege to work with the Commissioners, the superintendent of the farm and the inmates in providing this ministry of spiritual uplift.

Respectfully submitted,

MILTON G. BAKER,  
Protestant Chaplain.



## REPORT OF THE CATHOLIC CHAPLAIN

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To the Commissioners of Strafford County

Gentlemen:

The record of religious services held for the Catholic inmates of Strafford County Home and House of Correction for the year 1949 is as follows:

Confessions (number of trips),	12
Mass and Holy Communion (number of trips),	12
Special trips for Sacraments to the sick,	10
Special trips to the House of Correction,	6
Emergency trips to give last rites to those in danger of death,	5

The response of the inmates, estimated in the number of Masses attended and Sacraments received, has been really gratifying. The special arrangements made for church services held on Easter week and on Christmas were received with much favor. Also, a deep feeling of security exists among them, from the assurance that a Priest can be reached in case of emergency or whenever a situation warrants it. And, for as much, distinctive expression of appreciation for the attention given to their spiritual welfare has not been wanting. It is addressed, certainly, to the personnel in charge of these institutions and to their assistants, as well as to myself, for their cooperation has been ever constant and benevolent.

To them and to you, gentlemen, I wish to express my gratitude.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. JOSEPH A. TURGEON.

## REPORT OF PHYSICIAN

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March 1, 1950

To the Commissioners of Strafford County

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as Strafford County physician for the year 1949.

Number of visits to County Home and County Jail,	52
Number of extra emergency visits to the County Home,	30
Number of extra emergency visits to the County Jail,	5
Number of cases of pregnancy,	1
Number of commitments,	2
Number of deaths,	8
Average age of deaths,	75

The inmates of the County Home have had excellent care. The people of Strafford County have been most fortunate in having such capable and efficient persons as directors of this institution.

I should like, at this time, to extend my sincere thanks to the Commissioners, Superintendent, Matron and Nurses for their cooperation. Working with them has been a pleasure during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. HARTIGAN, M. D.

## COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE STRAFFORD COUNTY FOR 1949

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Cooperative Extension Service is fostered by the United States Department of Agriculture, the University of New Hampshire and the County of Strafford.

Personnel included in the office staff number five including the Home Demonstration Agent, the 4-H Club Agent, the County Forester, the County Agricultural Agent and the Extension clerk.

The Agricultural Agent is manager of the county office and is Secretary to the County Production and Marketing Committee and the Soil Conservation Sub-District and furnishes technical advice on cultural management.

It is the duty of the Agricultural Agent to encourage farmers in better methods and to help them with their problems. The work of the agent brings help to the city dweller with problems pertaining to rodent control, care of lawns and shade trees, and information to those having gardens.

This past year 749 farm visits were made and the agricultural agent had 1,115 office calls by people wishing information. Of outstanding importance was the increase enrollment in the Green Pasture Program which encourages farmers to take a keener interest in their forage crop program. Marketing help and research has been another important piece of work carried on in the county.

Fruit growers, poultrymen and dairymen have all been served by the Extension program.

This Extension Work is made possible by the support of the people of the county and the appropriation made by the county delegation.

E. A. ADAMS,  
County Agricultural Agent.

The work of the other agents are given in the following reports.

### REPORT OF COUNTY FORESTER

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The County Forester's time is divided equally between Belknap and Strafford Counties. Interest in Forestry may be evidenced by the fact that the number of urgent requests each month is several times over what can actually be serviced.

The County Forester, who is an ex-officio member and secretary of the District Forestry Advisory Board, has spent considerable time in assisting the board in drawing up voluntary cutting standards in connection with the new Timber Tax Law.

During the past year 113 different woodland owners, involving about 11,000 acres, were given marketing and forest management advice and one million board feet of timber and 300 cords of wood were marked to demonstrate selective and improvement cuttings and thinnings. About one and one-half million board feet of timber and wood (latter converted from wood to board feet) valued at \$17,075.00 were harvested under improved cutting practices on 42 different holdings, involving 468 acres of woodland. Although much of this timber and wood involved small owner-type operations, most of this volume pertained

to stumpage sales. In addition, about 4,000 gallons of maple syrup, valued at \$22,000.00 were produced in this district.

Demonstration meetings on woodland areas cut under good cutting practices were held in connection with two conservation workshops for teachers, one training school for the Soil Conservation Service, and four 4-H groups. In addition the forester gave forestry instructions at the State 4-H Forestry Training School at Bearbrook, and judged forestry exhibits at both the Lakes Region 4-H Fair and the Rochester Fair. One maple meeting was also held which drew record attendance.

ROBERT F. BRADLEY,  
County Forester.

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## REPORT OF HOME DEMONSTRATION AGENT

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"Home demonstration work" is that part of the Cooperative Extension Service program that pertains directly to homemakers, in both rural and urban areas of the county.

Much of the agent's time is spent working with groups of homemakers who have organized for the purpose of carrying on an Extension program of home-making education in their neighborhoods or communities. There are at present 38 such groups in the county. In addition, the agent has worked with five other groups who have wished to participate in some particular part of the program, bringing the total to 43, and these groups count 1,021 women in their present membership.



The program of home demonstration work carried out during the past year has been the result of planning by representatives of each home demonstration group who have previously met with their own groups to find out what help and instruction is most needed for homemakers in their communities.

The program is carried out by means of lessons taught to groups by the agent, training schools at which volunteer leaders are taught certain homemaking practices or skills and in turn teach these to their own groups, and by means of circular letters, home visits, office and telephone calls, radio talks, and newspaper articles. The type of assistance rendered varies from the making of aluminum trays and Christmas decorations to upholstering furniture, cleaning sewing machines and using pressure saucepans.

The continued growth of the program here in Strafford County is largely due to the splendid cooperation of our volunteer leaders, and the following table is indicative of their developing services during the past four years:

	1946	1947	1948	1949
Number of project leader				
training schools held,	25	26	30	25
Attendance at these,	323	330	357	449
Number of different				
leaders,	106	151	206	216
Number of leader-con-				
ducted meetings,	147	222	258	367
Attendance at these,	1,643	2,473	2,930	3,692

Number of days leaders have devoted to carrying out the program during 1949, including attendance at leader-training schools, county

planning meetings, council meetings, and  
conducting classes and group meetings, 1,126

Respectfully submitted,

SHIRLEY SMITH WEEKS,

Home Demonstration Agent.

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## REPORT OF BOYS' AND GIRLS' 4-H CLUB WORK

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Seven hundred and ninety 4-H youth between the ages of nine and twenty-one were served by eighty-six voluntary leaders, supervised by a single club agent, in Strafford County during the year 1949. Hundreds of other youth and adults also received training from your club Agent in subjects related to Agriculture and Home Economics.

The number of groups has increased from thirty-eight in 1948 to fifty-eight in 1949, and the number of members enrolled has jumped from 540 in 1948 to 790 in 1949. The percentage of completions, that is, the number of members actually completing projects, compared to those who signed up for projects rose from 77 per cent in 1948 to 83.9 per cent in 1949. All of these increases have given Strafford County 4-H Club work greater scope than ever previously attained.

The success of a 4-H Club depends to a great degree upon the volunteer leaders who serve the boys and/or girls in their respective communities without monetary reimbursement. Their reward comes from seeing the boys and girls develop into competent citizens.

Our 4-H Club program is continuous, with projects and activities adapted for all periods of the year and with progressive projects that are adaptable to members of all ages. The program includes projects related to Agriculture and Home Economics and is open to any boy or girl in Strafford County between the ages of nine and twenty-one years of age.

The Club Agent wishes to pay his respects to the volunteer leaders for their cooperation and tireless effort. He also wishes to thank all organizations and individuals who have encouraged the county 4-H program.

Respectfully submitted,

GUY W. MANN,

County Club Agent.





